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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

TURF.

Lourdrow.—Yes, Flying Fish.
Tom Tit.—Mr. Jackson.
Catspaw.—Caller Ou of course.
L. Lounds.—We can give you no advice.
Chas. Calhahm.—Once for all we are not responsible for any promises held out in advertisements inserted in these columns.
J. T. Rogers (Sheffield).—Fisherman won the Wolverhampton Handicap in 1853.
J. M. (Derby).—Borderer won the Queen's Plate at Winchester, 1858, Fordham mounting.
J. Eccles (Birmingham).—Vandermeulin, by Van Tromp, was the winner of the Warwickshire Handicap, 7th March, 1853.
W. M. C. (Liverpool).—Rocket, ridden by Custance, won the Cesarewitch, in 1858, by a head, Prioress and The Brewer running a dead-heat for second place.
Heinz Bonny.—Cambuscan, ridden by A. Edwards, won the match; General Peel was piloted by Wells.
L. G. A.—We have already given life-like portraits of J. Grimshaw, G. Fordham, and Challoner. The three papers containing them can be had through any newsvendor, or will be sent direct from the office on receipt of 8 stamps. Your other questions shall be answered in our next.

PEDESTRIANISM.

Red Marine (Portland).—Deerfoot was beaten by Mills in a ten mile race—the last that Deerfoot ran in England. In the first match Deerfoot ran on British soil, with Mills—distance six miles—Deerfoot was victorious.

RING.

L. Lyons.—We are not in a position to speak on authority, but we conscientiously believe the match will fall through.
T. W. S.—Received with thanks.
A. Nash (Bedford)—About four times. We are not in possession of the facts.
S. Carl.—The matter rests entirely with the final stakeholder.
E. Wyatt (Durham).—Yes, Hammerlane.

CANINE.

J. W. S.—We shall not publish an index. You will find a full description of the points of a thorough bull dog in the Illustrated Sporting News about five weeks ago. It was published on the authority of a committee of fanciers.

SWIMMING.

A. Walker.—The annual subscription to the London Swimming Club is one guinea.
S. Symes (Leicester).—Teddy Mills adopts the title of "Young England" not Mills. The latter is the individual who attempted Charles Westhall's famous feat.
C. C.—We cannot find a record of the match.
Carl L. (Newcastle).—Your wish is anticipated. The performances of Harry Clasper are given this week.

SHOOTING.

Gun Cap.—Certainly not.
Lapwing.—We have forwarded the specimen.
Alf. L.—A breach-loader.
T. W. S.—See Illustrated Sporting News, 105—"Moors and Forests."
W. Watson.—He is not now *head keeper* to Lord Derby. We do not know.
S. Spiles.—L—W—T—R.

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. Coates.—Yes.
A. Wills.—We have the list if you desire to see it.
T. Andrews.—The report never came to hand or it should have appeared.
Edward Sarkeley.—Send to the publisher.
S. S.—You are very silly to do anything of the kind.
W. Smith.—Thanks, but we sleep with one eye open.
Thomas Childs.—Appeal to the courtesy of the editor, he will listen to you, for he is a gentleman if his representative be not.
A Durhamer (Whatever that may mean).—We have no intention to group the parties you name; their portraits have appeared in these columns.
W. West (Folkestone)—Your best plan would be to order through a bookseller.
Thomas Gee, Jun. (Spilsby).—We are sorry to say we cannot afford you the desired information.

Illustrated Sporting News.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1864.

THE TURF.

WEEKLY TURF DIARY.

Monday, 31st, Cambridgeshire Stakes, &c. Settling day at Tattersall's, Marseilles Meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 1. Stakes close at Ascot, Alexandra Park, Brecon, Beverley, Brighton, Doncaster (Spring and Sep.) Down, Durham, Epsom (Spring and Summer), Goodwood, Lewes, Liverpool, Monmouth, Newmarket, Northampton, Plymouth, Reading, Richmond, Stockton, Stockbridge, Warwick, Winchester, and York (Spring and August).

Wednesday, 2nd. Worcester.

Thursday, 3rd. Bromley flat racing and steeplechases. Upton-on-Severn steeplechases. Porchefontaine (France).

Friday, 4th. Bromley.

Sunday, 6th. Porchefontaine (France).

RACING FIXTURES.

NOVEMBER.

Worcester Autumn 1, 2 | Shrewsbury Autumn 14 | Leam. & Warwicksh. Hunt.
Bromley ... 3, 4 | 15, 16, 17 | 22, 23, 242
Liverpool ... 8, 9, 10, 11

STEEPLE CHASE FIXTURES.

NOVEMBER.

Upton-on-Severn ... 3 | Leamington and Warwickshire Hunt 20
Bromley ... 3, 4 | Croydon ... 29, 25
Hartlepool ... 17 | Chertsy Autumn ... 24, 20

CONTINENTAL RACING FIXTURES.

OCTOBER.

Vincennes Autumn ... 30 | Marseilles ... 27, 3

NOVEMBER.

Marseilles ... 1 | Porchefontaine ... 3, 6
La Marche ... 13

NOTES ON NEWMARKET HOUGHTON MEETING.

This great meeting, the last legitimate gathering of the season, is at the time of writing in progress; four days racing are, however, inscribed in the annals of the turf, and afford matter for comment For several mornings prior to the decision of the Cambridgeshire Stakes, the early birds mustered in force to see the horses exercise, the favourites for the great event monopolizing attention. Brick was out with Cambuscan on Saturday morning; and went the Cambridgeshire course, and his style of going created a diversity of opinion, which we may expect will be the case, either as regards this or any other horse, so long as persons venture to criticise the capabilities of horses who do not know the situation and use of the several parts which constitute the framework of a horse; nor what constitutes a blemish or symmetrical beauty. One of these *judges* who was prolific in his remarks, and had heard that Brick had split one of his pasterns when undergoing his final preparation for the 2,000 guineas Stakes race last year, enquired from us which was his pastern joint. He "knew a racehorse when he saw one," but was ignorant of the situation of this important part! Can it be wondered at then that opinions differ, when persons so ignorant presume to utter remark on the ability, symetry, and action of a horse? There can be but one negative answer to such a question. Before Sunday several strings had arrived which included the Ashgill (Osborne's); Weuver's, Ackworth, per van; Tom Oliver's, Cliffe's, Perrin and Peart, with the Whitewall team, and Porter, with Sir Joseph Hawley's. On Sunday morning the horses came out late, owing to the unpropitious state of the weather; among the more noticeable were Columbia, who went a rattling gallop, and greatly pleased her supporters. Stockinger did the same over the Cambridgeshire Course; and, by his style of going, created wonderment at his retrocession in the odds. Saccharometer went a rattling and satisfactory gallop, and looked fit. Deerfoot was an especial favourite with many, who thought his place chance a rosy one, as he was in splendid condition, and looked and went like a thoroughly staunch, game horse, but he is not first-class. Prince Plausible only walked, and Bacchus for several days was confined to walking exercise, having cut one of his legs—a temporary injury, but it prevented his starting no loss, however, as he could have had no chance at the weights. Sunday brought a considerable influx both of horses and of turf *habitues*, the "special" having arrived with a full freight of bipeds and 20 horse boxes, which were occupied by Mr. Craven's, Mr. Savile's, Lord Westmoreland's, Balchin's, and other teams, and a numerous and magnificent lot of animals they were, and with Birch Broom as *avant courier* nearly filled High-street. Up to this time there had been occasional and somewhat copious showers of rain, more particularly on Sunday morning, which had the effect, as before observed, of delaying the usual morning muster at exercise; but evening gave a glimpse of hope that finer weather was in store for the meeting, and by that time the rain had penetrated the hard crust and rendered the ground good going. On Monday morning the hopes and anticipations of all were realized, for the weather was most propitious, and there was consequently a full muster, nearly every horse being out that was likely to take part in the coming encounters of the week. To record all that was done would greatly exceed our limits we must, therefore, confine ourselves to the description of the more noticeable features of the mornings proceedings. Columbia, Deerfoot, Stockinger, Prince Plausible, Valiant, and several others galloped and inspired their respective backers with stronge hopes, but Brick was "the observed of all observers," among whom were several of the "upper ten," who were said to be "on to a man." Gratitude arrived late with Battaglia, both of whom looked fit. The fluctuations in the betting are fully recorded elsewhere, and we need, therefore, only say that after the arrival of the morning trains the rooms were well filled, and the street in front presented an animated appearance. Many were the anxious inquiries "what is going to win?" and "does anybody know anything?" and as few of the responses coincided, further bewilderment was the result of inquisitiveness. Towards noon a vast cavalcade of equestrians, vehicularians (to coin a word), and pedestrians was on its way to the heath, the first race being set for 12-15—a match between Saffron and Roulette, and the former drew first blood for us, going in a gallant winner, but only by a neck, which, however, could probably have been made a length if necessary. The Cambridgeshire Trial Handicap, as it is commonly called, did not, on this occasion elicit the usual amount of interest as it had no tendency towards throwing a light upon the darkness that hovered over the issue of the great event, and it therefore calls for no further remark. The Criterion Stakes was the event of the day, as it almost invariably either introduces a new favourite into the Derby betting, strengthens the position of a former one, weakens or extinguishes it. On the present occasion it introduced us to Chattanooga, Monitor, Tibla, and the Buck, all new candidates for turf honours, the winner turning up in the first named. We anticipated that the race would result in favour of a dark one (and expecting that Mr. Merry would bring out Dilly Dally, gave him the preference) as such of the others who had displayed any racing pretensions, were penalised to an extent that gave a superior chance to any of the dark division possessing merit, if even not of the highest order. Chattanooga won easily, and considering that he ran green, it was a good performance and was evidently so regarded by the takers of 25 to 1 about him for the next Derby, at which price several investments were made after his successful *debut*; but the fact that Gladiateur was giving him 6lbs and Kœnig 9lbs, which could not fail to have a telling effect over this severe course, somewhat detracts from the merit of the performance. Chattanooga is by Orlando out of Ayacanora (dam of Cachuca) her dam Pocahontas (dam of Stockwell, Rataplan, King Tom, &c.,) by Glencoe, out of Marpessa by Muley; Clare by Marmion, out of Haraplice, by Gohanna. He was purchased by Mr. Naylor at the annual sale of yearlings at Hampton Court Paddock's for 350 guineas, and like many other chesnuts that have distinguished themselves, has a white blaze face with a white near fore and hind legs and off heel, and one so well bred and so symetrical, and withal sufficient in size, can hardly fail to take his own part in good company. The Buck, who has been backed for the Derby on several occasions, is a pretty galloper, and will grow into a useful horse, but we do not think him up to the Derby form, nor do we think that any of the *unpenalised* horses that finished behind the winner are likely to achieve Derby honours. The match between General Peel and Paris was won, in conformity with our anticipations by the former, the 7lbs which he conceded not being half enough to bring them together. With that fertile theme for comment—the Cambridgeshire Stakes race—before us, we cannot afford room for comment on the other races of the first day, nor is it necessary to say more than our usual report contains; we shall therefore turn to the great event of the meeting, the race for the

CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES,

which drew together such a muster of mounted and dismounted humanity, as perhaps was never witnessed on a previous similar occasion at Newmarket. The loud vociferations of the bookmakers which "made the welkin ring," the galloping to and fro of horsemen, the crowd of vehicles, the general and intense excitement, presented a *tout ensemble* that distinguishes Newmarket, and was never surpassed there. Many of the well-mounted proceeded in large bodies to the starting post—a scene in itself—and every spot calculated to afford a view of the race was crowded with eager and anxious spectators. The telegraph board announced 38 runners, the horses most "conspicuous by their absence" being Trap, Soumise, Bacchus, Weatherbow, Dr. Syntax, and Cathedral. The absence of Soumise and Bacchus is accounted for by their lameness, that of Weatherbow and Cathedral by the hopelessness of success, but it is not so easy to assign a reason why Trap and Dr. Syntax were not sent to the post, as neither of them had anything to complain of in the weights, and the former a few days before appeared likely from market indications to become a "pot." An hour was cut to waste at the post before a start took place, but at last they got away on pretty even terms, Brick, the whilom first favourite, being the first beaten; and on nearing the winning post the race was reduced to a match between Ackworth and Tomato, the former just winning by a short head. No sooner was Ackworth's number hoisted, than deafening cheers rent the air, and the warmest congratulations poured in upon the Marquis of Hastings, who was present with his young bride, and who, it will be recollected, purchased the winner for 2,000 guineas after his race for the Cesarewitch Stakes. The noble Marquis wins £30,000 besides the stakes, which amount to £2,485. Mr. Hodgman, Mr. J. B. Morris, and the commissioner of the Marquis, Mr. W. Munday, each won a good stake. Gratitude and Stockinger ran forward, the former finishing 5th, and the early defeat of Brick was, perhaps, less surprising than the capital race Tomato made of it with the steadier of 7st 5lb. The Highflyer's dam colt, who finished 3rd, had been tried "good enough to win," and his forward position proved him to be no impostor. Although our single selection of Gratitude as the absolute winner did not quite realize our expectations it is some consolation to us to have predicted that if she was beaten by one of her old opponents, the winner was one of the likeliest to do so, and we said "Ackworth meets Gratitude on 7lbs better terms than in their former encounter, and we do not consider him to have received a 7lbs beating." He was thus bound to beat her, and we were only prevented from expressing that opinion by Cannon's declaration that Ackworth was not able to go the pace with her in any part of the race until she began to tire. However, 7lbs over the Cambridgeshire Course is, in our estimation, equal to 10 or 12lbs on the flat, and this coupled with the long sweeping action of Gratitude which will serve her on the flat and *serve her out* over a hill, sufficiently accounts for her defeat. We have this further consolation that we erred in good company, and did not urge the impossibility of her defeat by any of her Cesarewitch competitors. We ventured on a dangerous and almost untrodden path in describing the chances of a number of horses as hopeless, and not one of these figured in a forward position in the race. To know what *cannot* win is especially valuable knowledge to a bookmaker, and it is the beacon on the lee-shore to backers, warning them of rocks and quicksands on which their hopes will be wrecked if they venture forward; we therefore hope that in thus guarding them we have not written in vain. This race has never yet been won by a winner of the Cesarewitch, but it has been three times won by the third in that race; 17 times by three-yr-olds, eight times by four-yr-olds, and only once by any other age—by the Widow, an aged mare—in the 26 years during which it has been established. The remaining races of the day were "little go's" which call for no remarks beyond those in our usual report. The confusion and uproar ensued at the Railway station owing to a considerable number of passengers with day tickets being left behind, which was exceedingly inconvenient to the unfortunates who had thus to hunt for beds in a crowded little town, for which in the aggregate they must pay a sum, exceeding the cost of a special train, but why were they left behind? Surely, if the company were able to bring them to Newmarket from London, they were able to take them back, and if not, why not? "Where there is a will there is a way," but this company have a way of their own, which is like the way of Irish pigs—any way but the way they are wanted to go—and the sooner they mend their ways, and the sooner will the imprecations, which we never travel over their line without hearing, cease to be heaped upon the Directors, who are universally pronounced the most intractable of any line in the kingdom, and the worst of the bad. On Wednesday there was a plethora of racing, 15 events being on the card and the only notice able feature was the number of horses claimed in the different selling stakes as will be seen by our usual return. On Thursday Master Richard confirmed the correctness of our judgement, the weight, as we predicted it would ensuring him the victory over Baragah Fille de l'Air Cambuscan &c.

ANTICIPATIONS OF WORCESTER.

The Autumn meeting at Worcester is appointed to take place on Tuesday and Wednesday next, and the programmes are of the usual character. The principal event on the first day is the Worcestershire Stakes, for which 26 remain in, of which Count Batthyany's pair—Tartar, Welbeck, and Rosebud read the most dangerous. Tartar will probably be wanted another day, and between the others there is little to choose; we, however, slightly prefer Prince Plausible and Welbeck, one of which, we anticipate, will be hailed the winner.

NEWMARKET.

THURSDAY.

Match: Sister to the Drake beat Bradamante.

Sweep of 100 sovs.

Ossian ... 1
Reserve ... 2

Subscription Handicap.

Giant ... 1
Farce ... 2

Selling Handicap.

Ethel ... 1
Kildare ... 2

Free Handicap (100 sovs).

Master Richard ... 1
Baragah ... 2
Fille de l'Air ... 3
Cambuscan ... 4

Optional Selling Plate.

Silverlocks ... 1
Nimrood ... 2

Free Handicap

Olivia ... 1
Dr. Syntax ... 2
Pearl Diver ... 3

Handicap Sweeps 15 sovs.

Coup d'Etat ... 1
Old Orange Girl ... 2
Almack ... 3

Sweepstakes (2 and 3-yrs-old).

Wild Thyme ... 1
Lady Caroline ... 2

Sweeps (2-yrs old).

Godmersham ... 1
Tring ... 2

Sweeps of 50 sovs.

Giraffe ... 1
Kœnig ... 2

LATEST LONDON BETTING.

When once the Cambridgeshire is over, a period of inaction in betting circles sets in, and which is not redeemed by anything of a lively nature until the weights for the Liverpool Autumn Cup appear. Since Tuesday the Victoria Club has been especially quiet, and nothing has transpired worthy of being noted. Members generally group themselves in small knots, and talk over the features of the Houghton Meeting, particularly the race for the Cambridgeshire and their respective losses and gains on the event. Monday promises being a very heavy but favourable settling day in Wellington-street and at Tattersall's; by the afternoon the remainder of that most important business will be conducted.

Dunston Races.—These annual sports came off on Thursday last, on the grounds of Mr. Fox, at Dunston, and, as usual, attracted a great number of persons from Nottingham, Lincoln, Newark, &c. Although the entries were small, some good racing took place, and it is very probable that the value of the stakes will be increased. The Farmers' Hurdle Race for 10 sovs, one mile and a half, over five flights of hurdles, was won, in two heats, by Mr. Barde's Ambrosine, beating two others. The Farmers' Hack Race for 5 sovs, heats, 1 mile, was won, in two heats, by Mr. Spafford's Tern o' Luck, beating two others. A Pony Race for a silver cup, catch-weight, heats, 1 mile, was won, in two heats, by Mr. H. Spafford's Matilda, beating two others. The Consolation Stakes, for a double-rein bridle, was won by Mr. Slater's Bonnets of Blue, beating Mr. Harding's Wee Willie, second. A Match, 4 sovs, was won by Mr. Harding's Peeping Tom, beating Mr. H. Spafford's Matilda, second.

TATTERSALL'S BETTING—Saturday.

Speculation, carried on with unusual spirit at the Victoria Club till two o'clock, did not give the slightest signs of the important alterations which occurred in the Cambridgeshire betting at a later hour at Tattersall's. The room was ostensibly opened for comparing transactions upon the Cambridgeshire Stakes, but as the attendance was almost exclusively confined to bookmakers, the object in view could only be said to have been partially realised. An increased desire to back the two favourites, Brick and Gratitude, caused bookmakers to reduce the odds a shade less than was laid in Wellington-street. Stockinger was quietly introduced, and for a time was nominally at 100 to 8, but those odds being increased upon, he was quickly "knocked out," till he retrograded to 500 to 15. The opposition which set in against Stockinger was attributed to an unsuccessful trial the horse had had that morning; but upon one or two bookmakers coming to the rescue he rapidly returned into favour, and 20 to 1 was taken about him at the close, though he could not be reported firm at that quotation. Trap created a sensation during the early part of the meeting, and so formidable was the opposition that he never once recovered the first shock, leaving off with offers of 500 to 3 agst him, those who invested "fivers" at 100's to 1 having noted the time when they took the bets, which was significant of the anticipation that Trap would appear amongst the list of horses struck out of their engagements. Ackworth was backed to win a few thousands, and finally left off at 12 to 1, the last bet booked about the Marquis of Hastings's horse being 1200 to 100. Prince Plausible's friends being too numerous at 100's to 6, the fielders reduced those odds to 15 to 1, at which quotation "the Prince" had a backer for a "century." Saccharometer having been freely supported at 22 to 1, those offers were decreased to 20 to 1, and "Sac" at that price was entrusted with frequent investments, though the amounts were limited. Tattoo declined to 20 1, and her stable companion, Muezzin, was backed at 25 to 1. After numerous offers of 50 to 1 agst Queen of Trumps, her noble owner invested "fifty" at 40 to 1, the layers, however, wishing to go on at the price. Beyond the booking of 200 to 40 about Valiant, and one or two thousands to ten about Battaglia, there was nothing done with the outside division, though at one period Donnybrook appeared likely to become a favourite. Closing prices:—

The Cambridgeshire Stakes.

9 to 2 agst	Brick (t)	40 to 1 agst	Queen of Trumps (t & off)
5 to 1 —	Gratitude (t & off)	50 to 1 —	Valiant (t)
12 to 1 —	Ackworth (t)	50 to 1 —	Accident (off)
15 to 1 —	Prince Plausible (t)	50 to 1 —	Columbia (t & off)
20 to 1 —	Tattoo (t)	1000 to 15 —	Bacchus (t)
20 to 1 —	Columbia (t & off)	1000 to 15 —	Donnybrook (t & off)
20 to 1 —	Stockinger (t & off)	1000 to 10 —	Battaglia (t)
20 to 1 —	Saccharometer (t)	100 to 1 —	Mail Trail (off)
25 to 1 —	Muezzin (t)	500 to 3 —	Trap (off)
40 to 1 —	Highflyer's d colt (t & off)		

BETTING AT MANCHESTER.—Saturday.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes.

5 to 1 agst	Gratitude (t)	30 to 1 agst	Bayard (t)
11 to 2 —	Brick (t)	30 to 1 —	Accident (t & off)
10 to 1 —	Stockinger (t)	40 to 1 —	Trap (t)
100 to 7 —	Ackworth (t & off)	40 to 1 —	Highflyer's dam colt (t)
15 to 1 —	Tattoo (t)	50 to 1 —	Columbia (off)
15 to 1 —	Prince Plausible (t)	50 to 1 —	Bacchus (off)
100 to 6 —	Saccharometer (t)	1000 to 15 —	Leonora (t)
20 to 1 —	Columbia (t & off)	1000 to 15 —	Donnybrook (t)
25 to 1 —	Muezzin (t)	500 to 4 —	Mail Train (t)
200 to 7 —	Planet (t)		

NEWMARKET HOUGHTON MEETING.

Monday.

This meeting, the last legitimate gathering of the racing season, appeared to have attracted to Newmarket a large proportion of the sporting fraternity. The special express, which left Shoreditch at 1.25 on Monday afternoon, was unusually heavy. On arriving at Cambridge the ten minutes "allowed for refreshment" was almost exhausted in a vain endeavour to obtain a glass of "bitter," so great was the crush. A few horses were mentioned on the platform, but no transaction came under our notice. There appeared to be a screw loose about Trap, offers of 5 to 1 that he did not start for the Cambridgeshire were freely offered without a taker. A train, containing about twenty horse-boxes, arrived at Newmarket soon after the special, and was anxiously anticipated by a large crowd of loungers, report stating that Gratitude was in the train, but all who expected to see Mr. Robinson's mare were doomed to disappointment, as she did not arrive until to-day. Ackworth came in a van on Saturday, and pleased all who saw him take a canter. A great number of horses engaged in the Cambridgeshire were out on Monday morning, most of them going the whole length of the course. Deerfoot galloped in such form that many good judges consider he has a great outside chance. Ackworth and Master Richard galloped the course, the former going so strong and well that his friends were in extacies. Master Richard looked well, and went with his usual splendid stride. The next to show was Valiant, who attracted the notice of all by his fine action; he finished very fresh, and looked in splendid condition. Prince Plausible was inspected by a large crowd, and, after a slight canter, he galloped the course from end to end at full speed. Stockinger, whose position in the market during the last day or two has been puzzling in the extreme, was followed by a concourse of horsemen and foot passengers anxious to detect any fault whereby to account for his "knocking out," but no horse could look or go better; indeed, so much did he please all who saw him, that were it not for the unsteady position he then occupied in the market, many would have instantly backed him as if the race were over. Columbia was pulled up about a quarter of a mile from the winning post, after galloping at full speed; her style was much admired. The great attraction to all was the favourite Brick, who came on the heath about half-past eight, followed by Cambuscan. The two took a gentle canter for half an hour, after which they galloped the course at a great pace, and on rising the hill Brick appeared to almost pull the lad out of the saddle. Opinions vary as to his merits, some maintaining that Brick is small and too light for a race like the Cambridgeshire; others, including the Newmarket people (who are "on" to a man), treat this assertion with derision, and invariably tell you that Brick "cannot lose." The great feature at the Rooms this morning was the rush to get on Columbia, whose gallopping on the heath had such an effect that she was backed at lessening prices from 20 to 1 to 10 to 1. Stockinger came again, 1,000 to 40 and 500 to 20 being accepted. The favourites were very firm, 9 to 2 being taken about Brick, and at a shade over 5 to 1 Gratitude would have been backed to a large amount. The weather was beautiful, the late rains having laid the dust which rendered the heath at the last meeting so very uncomfortable. The air being as warm as summer, it is not surprising that the fair sex should have mustered in such force, both in carriages and on horseback. The attendance was unusually large for the first day, and betting was carried on with great spirit. Nine events constituted the programme for the day's racing, inclusive of four matches. One of these, however, fell through, the Marquis of Hastings's Attraction receiving forfeit from Mr. Jackson's Sidewind. Precisely at 12.15—the time appointed for the first race—the sport commenced with a match, in which Admiral Rous's invincibility as a match-maker was again exemplified, for Saffron beat Roulette easily by a neck. The Handicap Plate over the Cambridgeshire Course, for which 23 were handicapped, brought out 13 runners. Merry Wife was installed favourite at 3 to 1, Breeze being next in demand at 6 to 1. Iphigenia made nearly all the running until rising the hill, where Sir Joseph Hawley's filly came away and won easily by two lengths, Vabalathus being that distance in rear of Iphigenia. The result of this race is by some considered a clue to the mystery surrounding the great event of the week, the Cambridgeshire; but perhaps never before did the issue have so slight an effect on market operations, as the success or failure of either of the starters made not the least difference to the position in the betting of the competitors for the great race of Tuesday. The principal event on the card was the Criterion, for which race fifteen (the largest field of the day) faced the starter, the principal public performers being Kœnig, Audax, and Gladiateur, all of whom carried extra weight for previous successes. Lord Westmoreland's Brahma was made favourite at 2 to 1, the next in demand being Count be Lagrange's Le Mandarin and Gladiateur, who were backed at 3 to 1 coupled, whilst 10 to 1 was easily obtainable about Chattanooga. A delay at the starting-post was occasioned by the fractiousness of Kate Hampton, who at the start was a long way behind. After running together for some distance Chattanooga and Brahma came away, Mr. Naylor's colt winning easily by two lengths, the favourite being two lengths in front of Monitor, who was third. The winner was not backed by the stable, having been beaten in his trial, but 25 to 1 was freely taken about him for the Derby immediately after the race. Lady Florence, with 6 to 4 betted on her, defeated Sister to Knave of Trumps, after a good race, by a neck. The match between General Peel and Paris, in which the General conceded 7lb to Mr. Ten Broeck's horse, did not produce any heavy betting, 5 to 2 being freely laid on Lord Glasgow's horse, who won in a canter by eight lengths. The three concluding events were won by the first favourite in each, and as will be seen by the closing prices after the races, Stockinger became a hot favourite for the Cambridgeshire, whilst Brick retrograded to 11 to 2. Columbia was backed for £200 at 12 to 1 on the heath, and opposite the Rooms that price was accepted by many before dinner. The following are the details of the sport:—

Match: both 2-yr-old; last half mile of Criterion Course. 100, h ft.

Admiral Rous's Saffron, by Yellow Jack—Pastrycook, 8st 10lb	S. Rogers	1
Mr. G. Bruce's Roulette, 8st 5lb	H. Grimshaw	2

Betting: 9 to 4 on Saffron.

Roulette made play to the commencement of the rails, where Saffron took a slight lead and won by a neck.

A Handicap Plate of 50 sovs, for 3-yr-olds and upwards. Cambridgeshire Course. 23 subs.

Sir Joseph Hawley's Merry Wife, by Beadsman—Mrs. Quickly, 3 yrs, 6st	Carroll	1
Mr. Naylor's Iphigenia, 3yrs, 6st	G. Sayers	2
Lord Uxbridge's Vabalathus, 3yrs, 7st 4lb	Morris	3
Mr. Samuel's Twilight, aged, 8st 12lb	Withington	0
Mr. Cherry's Birdfinder, 4 yrs 8st 10lb	E. Sharp	0
Baron Rothschild's Breeze, 3 yrs, 8st	J. Daley	0
Lord Poulette's Gentilhomme, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb	Lynch	0
Sir F. Johnstone's Historian, 3 yrs, 7st 4lb	Matthews	0
Mr. Mackenzie's King Charming, 4 yrs, 7st 2lb	Long	0
Lord Westmoreland's Erin-go-Bragh, 4yrs, 7st 2lb	Loates	0
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Charmian, 3 yrs, 6st	Murfet	0
Mr. Savile's Rigolboche, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb (car. 5st 9lb)	J. Grimshaw	0
Mr. Johnson's Potash, 3 yrs, 5st 7lb	Burton	0

Betting: 3 to 1 agst Merry Wife, 6 to 1 agst Breeze, 100 to 15 each ags Rigolboche and King Charming, 8 to 1 agst Vabalathus, 10 to 1 each agst Twilight and Erin-go-Bragh.

Charmian, Iphigenia, and Historian made play, followed closely by Erin-go-Bragh and Birdfinder, Merry Wife heading the ruck. They ran thus to the site of the old Duke's Stand, where Merry Wife and Vabalathus drew to the front, Sir Joseph Hawley's filly joining Iphigenia on the upper ground two distances from home. They ran in company until half-way up to the cords, where Merry Wife drew away, and won easily by two lengths; a similar distance separated the second and third; Historian was fourth, Rigolboche fifth, Charmian sixth, and Erin-go-Bragh seventh. The rest, pulling up, were whipped-in by Twilight.

Match.—Last three furlongs of the Criterion Course. 500, h ft.

Marquis of Hastings' Attraction, by Orlando—Nun Appleton, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb	received forfeit	
Mr. Jackson's Sidewind, 2 yrs, 5st 12lb	paid	

The Criterion Stakes of 30 sovs each, 50 ft, for 2-yr-olds; colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 8lb; winners extra. From the turn of the lands in, 5 fur 182 yds. 63 subs.

Mr. Naylor's Chattanooga, by Orlando—Ayacanora, 8st 10lb	Challoner	1
Lord Westmoreland's Brahma, 8st 10lb	J. Goater	2
Duke de Morny's Monitor, 8st 10lb	E. Sharp	3
Duke of Beaufort's Tibia, 8st 8lb	Judd	0
Duke of Beaufort's Kœnig, 9st 5lb (inc. 9lb ex.)	S. Rogers	0
Mr. J. A. Clifton's The Buck, 8st 10lb	J. Mann	0
Captain Gray's Audax, 9st 2lb (inc. 6lb ex)	F. Adams	0
Mr. W. Harlock's Regalia, 8st 8lb	Norman	0
Sir J. Hawley's Sansmes, 8st 10lb	Wells	0
Mr. Ten Broeck's Contract, 8st 8lb	Fordham	0
Count F. de Lagrange's Gladiateur, 9st 2lb (in. 6lb ex)	Edwards	0
Count F. de Lagrange's Le Mandarin, 8st 10lb	Aldcroft	0
Mr. J. Palmer's Kate Hampton, 8st 8lb	J. Doyle	0
Mr. Payne's Convent, 8st 8lb	H. Grimshaw	0
Baron Rothschild's Amber, 8st 8lb	J. Daley	0

Betting: 2 to 1 agst Brahma, 3 to 1 agst Le Mandarin and Gladiateur coupled, 6 to 1 agst Kœnig, 8 to 1 each agst Monitor and Audax, 10 to 1 each agst Chattanooga, Sansme, and The Buck.

After numerous failures, in which Kate Hampton was the most refractory, who bolted all over the course, and was finally left a long way in the rear, Tibia made play, followed by Regalia, Kœnig, Chattanooga, and Contract, till within a quarter of a mile from home, where Chattanooga, attended by Brahma (the latter of whom had been running prominently), quitted the rest, and Mr. Naylor's colt maintaining the lead, won by two lengths, which distance separated the second and third; a length divided the third and fourth; Kœnig was fifth, Regalia sixth, Audax seventh, Gladiateur eighth, Le Mandarin and Amber being next.

After the race 25 to 1 was freely taken about Chattanooga for the Derby.

Match: 100, h ft. T.Y.C., 5 furlongs 140 yards.

Marquis of Hastings' Lady Florence, by Newminster—Lady Melbourne 2 yrs, 8st	Fordham	1
Mr. Elphinstone's Sister to Knave of Trumps, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb	Perry	2

Betting: 6 to 4 on Sister to Knave of Trumps, who made play into the cords, where Lady Florence challenged, and won a good race by a neck.

Match: 500, p.p. T.M.M., 1 mile 7 fur 158 yds.

Lord Glasgow's General Peel, by Young Melbourne, dam by Orlando—Brown Bess, 9st	Wells	1
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Paris, 8st 7lb	Fordham	2

Betting: 5 to 2 on General Peel, who came away upon entering the cords, and won in a canter by eight lengths.

A Selling Handicap Sweepstakes of ten sovs each, for 3-yr-olds and upwards; the winner to be sold for 100 sovs, &c., if demanded. T.Y.C., 5 fur. 140 yards 9 subs.

Mr. Hodgman's Confederate, by Maske—Gloom, 3rs, 7st 8lb	Morris	1
Mr. W. Morris's Lady Abbess, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb	Custance	2
Mr. J. Osborne's Lyra, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb	Carroll	3
Mr. Handley's Wangle Eye, 3 yrs, 6st 5lb	Cranshaw	0
Mr. Greville's Verdiere, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb	J. Grimshaw	0
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Kromeski, 3 yrs, 6st 4lb	Murfet	0

Betting: 2 to 1 agst Confederate—4 to 1 agst Lady Abbess—5 to 1 each agst Verdiere and Lyra.

Lady Abbess made play, followed closely by Lyra and Confederate, the latter of whom got half way up the cords, and won by three parts of a length; a similar distance separated the second and third; the others beaten off. Mr. Osborne claimed Lady Abbess.

A Maiden Plate of £50 for 2-yr-olds; colts. 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb; winner to be sold for £300, if for £200, allowed 7lb. Bretby Stakes Course, 6 furlongs.

Lord Coventry's Connection, by Ethelbert—My Niece, 8st 10lb	J. Mann	1
Marquis of Hastings' Lady Florence, by Newminster, 8st 3lb	Fordham	2
Captain Machell's Tring, 8st 3lb	Edwards	3
Mr. Harrison's Bella, 8st 7lb	Doyle	0
Lord Westmoreland's b f by Newminster—The Squaw, 8st 7lb	J. Goater	0
Mr. W. Day's Irish Mail, brother to Mail Train, 8st 10lb	Flannington	0
Mr. Perry's General Rally, 8st 3lb	W. Boyce	0

Betting: 3 to 1 agst Connection, 100 to 30 agst Tring; 4 to 1 agst Bella. General Rally made play to the Bushes, where Tring took up the running, followed by Lady Florence and Connection, the latter of whom got his head in front half way up the cords, and won by three parts of a length; a length separated the second and third; Bella a good fourth, and the other three beaten off.

A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, for 3-yr-olds and upwards; the winner to be sold for 300 sovs if demanded, &c. Bretby Stakes Course, 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. Bird's Regina, by King Tom—Mammifer, 3 yrs, 8st	J. Mann	1
Mr. W. Morris's Antidote, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb	Custance	2
Sir J. Hawley's Woldga, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb	Wells	3
Lord Westmoreland's Erin-go-Bragh, 8st 10lb	Edwards	0
Mr. Astley's Overstone, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb	H. Grimshaw	0

Betting: 7 to 4 each agst Woldga and Antidote, 4 to 1 agst Regina. Woldga led into the dip, where Regina and Antidote came away, and after a fine race Regina won by a neck; half a length separated the second and third.

BETTING ON THE COURSE.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes.

11 to 2 agst	Gratitude (off, t 6 to 1)	33 to 1 agst	Columbia (off)
7 to 1 —	Brick (t & off)	40 to 1 —	Donnybrook (t & off)
8 to 1 —	Stockinger (t & off)	40 to 1 —	Mail Train (t & off)
11 to 1 —	Columbia (t)	50 to 1 —	Deerfoot (t)
14 to 1 —	Ackworth (off)	50 to 1 —	Tatto (off)
100 to 7 —	Prince Plausible (t)	50 to 1 —	Q. of Trumps (off, t 66 to 1)
100 to 7 —	Saccharometer (t)	50 to 1 —	Highflyer's dam colt (t)
25 to 1 —	Birch Broom (t)	28 to 1 —	Bayard (t)
100 to 1 —	Accident (t & off)		

BETTING AT MIDNIGHT.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes.

5 to 1 agst	Gratitude (t)	50 to 1 agst	Mail Train (t)
11 to 2 —	Brick (t & off)	50 to 1 —	Accident (t)
8 to 1 —	Stockinger (t)	50 to 1 —	Tatto (t)
11 to 1 —	Columbia (t)	50 to 1 —	Queen of Trumps (t)
100 to 7 —	Saccharometer (t)	50 to 1 —	Highflyer's dam colt (t)
100 to 6 —	Ackworth (t)	50 to 1 —	Canzonette (t)
18 to 1 —	Prince Plausible (t)	50 to 1 —	Skeffington (t)
25 to 1 —	Birch Broom (t)	50 to 1 —	Columbia (ff)
25 to 1 —	Muezzin (t)	100 to 1 —	Battaglia (t)
40 to 1 —	Bayard (t & off)	100 to 1 —	The Minor (off)
40 to 1 —	Valiant (t & off)	500 to 4 —	Fanfreluche (t)
40 to 1 —	Planet (t & off)	1000 to 5 —	Golden drop (t)
50 to 1 —	Donnybrook (t)	10 to 1 —	William Day's lot (off)
50 to 1 —	Deerfoot (t)		

TUESDAY.—THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE DAY.

Tuesday morning opened tolerably fine, it being seasonably bracing, and the aspect of the country was wintry, as the trees are nearly barren, and there was a thick dew upon the grass and hazy clouds upon the horizon in all directions. The arrival of the morning trains brought a large accession of company, and the London special was a particularly heavy one, the travellers, on reaching the town, immediately streaming to the great point of attraction, the Betting-rooms, the neighbourhood of which was soon blocked up with a dense crowd of people, and all that odd variety of horse and vehicle to be found at Newmarket for service on the Heath. Those interested in the race were soon furnished with a sensational feature, as there was a perfect *furore* evinced to get on Stockinger, who came with such force that he had the call of everything, and finished first favourite at 5 to 1, and even when the hour arrived for adjourning to the course there were no end of backers left eager to go on at the price. There was no material alteration about any of the other favourites, 5 to 1 being accepted about Gratitude, and a point more about Brick, who, however, it was plain, had not had quite so good a night as his friends could have desired. Columbia, in whose favour there had been a steadily-sustained movement for the preceding eight-and-forty hours, was in still further demand, and left off with no more than 11 to 1 offered against her. The card contained no fewer than eleven events, inclusive of a match, and with such a tremendous race as the Cambridgeshire to get through, there was certainly an inconvenient plethora of sport, and after the grand handicap the card was filled out with a succession of minor sweeps and plates of no earthly public interest. Racing was appointed to commence at half past eleven, the Cambridgeshire being fixed for a quarter-past one, "the working man's dinner-hour," as it was facetiously styled by a certain political sportsman largely interested in the success of Ackworth. The last item on the card was appointed for twenty-five minutes past four, and the return train to London was announced to start one hour after the last race, so that little time is left to dilate upon the nature of the running throughout the afternoon. The air on the Heath was somewhat chilly, and the sky was of that description which vocal hard riders are wont to declare proclaims "a hunting morning." The attendance was very large, and the ring was filled with spectators, the betting being carried out on the most extended scale. The vociferations of the bookmakers were distinguishable all over the Heath, and perhaps at no other period has there been a larger assemblage of distinguished patrons and upholders of the Turf present. The number of equestrians was something extraordinary, giving the Heath at all times during the day a most animated appearance, but when the hour arrived for mustering the animals at the post the scene was of a most striking description, the horsemen galloping or cantering down in parties in the direction of the Cambridgeshire starting-post. The first race (the All-Aged Selling Stakes, over the Bretby Stakes Course) brought out the three coloured on the card (Lord Burleigh, Argonaut, and Exchequer), Fairwater having paid forfeit overnight. Lord Burleigh was made favourite at 5 to 4, and fortune certainly favoured the backers of the Lewes horse, as Argonaut did not get off when the flag fell, and Fordham and the favourite had it their own way from end to end, cutting down his solitary opponent (Exchequer) in a common canter. Wells complained loudly when he returned with Argonaut, and declared that when Mr. M'George gave the signal he was a long way behind the starting-post, and Jemmy Adams also asserted that he had almost been put in the same dilemma as Sir Joseph Hawley's jockey. The match between Finesse and Olivia, over the Abingdon Mile, in which the Whitewall filly was called upon to concede 7lb to Mr. Payne's, brought out Fordham and Grimshaw as the pilots of the pair, and "little Jemmy's" mount enjoyed the call, odds of 7 to 4 being betted on Olivia; but the result was never in doubt within the distance, for directly Fordham called on Finesse, she went up and won in a common canter by a length, and the gentlemen and followers of Mr. Payne—no mean judge in match-making—got what is properly termed a "nosender." The succeeding event (the Feather Plate, over the last three miles of the Beacon Course) brought out, as usual, several 2-yr-olds whose owners were anxious to test their staying capabilities. The board announced six runners, of which five were "juveniles," Farce being the only old-'un who entered the lists. Lord Westmoreland's colt, Troubadour, was made favourite, at 5 to 4, and, with Jemmy Grimshaw in the saddle, it soon got whispered about as the "best thing of the day." A more miserable mockery, as far as actual racing is concerned, was never witnessed, as the lot barely cantered, and they came across the flat, being pulled and hauled all over the course, and it was evidently a case of "one being afraid, while the other daresn't." Indeed, such a ridiculous time were they in travelling from the Ditch Gap across the flat that it was sarcastically observed "they had been trained by Charles Westhall for a walking match," and, in fact, any man might have beaten them as they passed the Cesarewitch Stand. At this point there were crowds of loiterers, who shouted out derisively to the jockeys to send their animals along, and the pace mending shortly afterwards, the favourite ultimately won by three-quarters of a length from Orloff, while The Gay Deceiver was a bad third. The all-absorbing Cambridgeshire came next for decision, and the excitement it created was extraordinary, the crowd round the weighing-room being very great, all anxious to tick off on their card the actual runners. The Catch 'em Alive and Merry Hart piece of lead business last year rendered the Clerk of the Scales extremely vigilant, and none but those professionally interested were allowed within the scaling-room. Fifty-four were coloured on the card, and besides these East Lancashire, Vermouth, Little Stag, Affidavit, Cantonnade, Gedeon, Watford, The Bully, Cripple, Physician, Agatha, The Major, Balornock, Chocolate, Alea, and the colt by Grosvenor were inserted uncoloured, and with no probability of their going to the post. Although there had been some comparatively heavy betting on forty running, it will be seen that the anticipations of the strength of the field were not borne out, as the telegraph-board indicated no more than thirty-eight starters, or two less than on the last anniversary. The most noteworthy scratchings overnight were Trap and Soumise, and those who had thought the first-named a good thing got bit, and found that there was an appropriateness in the affair, and that it was a case of "catch 'em alive!" The absentees from the card of the fifty-four coloured were No. 2 (Exchequer), No. 9 (Onesander), No. 11 (Bacchus), No. 12 (Balham), No. 13 (Port Royal), No. 22 (Weatherbow), No. 25 (Hollyfox), No. 28 (Crisis), No. 35 (Doctor Syntax), No. 37 (The Tartar), No. 44 (Cathedral), No. 46 (Cadeau), No. 50 (King of Clubs). No. 51 (Speculation), No. 53 (Isca). Betting up to the close will be found fully reported below, but we may here briefly allude to the salient features of the final operations. Stockinger increased his position so rapidly consequent on the large outlays on him that he left off at 100 to 30. In all other respects the prices underwent no material alterations, 5 to 1 being taken about Gratitude, 6 to 1 about Brick, Columbia advanced to 10 to 1 (taken kindly), Saccharometer was backed freely at 100 to 8, and there was a strong demonstration in favour of the Highflyer's dam colt, who rose so rapidly in the estimation of backers, that he left off at anything over 12 to 1; Ackworth had seen a shorter price, declined to 15 to 1, consequent on his noble owner's commission having been executed, but after the Marquis had been down to see his new purchase stripped he returned to the betting-ring and took the odds mentioned to upwards of £300, to show that his confidence was unabated. Mr. Jackson's last figures were £1,000 to £30, laid in one bet. The race will be found fully described in the usual place, and from the details it will be seen that Brick, "the 'Phantom favourite,'" as he was termed in the ring, did not realise the expectations of the tremendous trial about which such an uproar was made, and the "patched-up" son of "the Dutchman" was beaten before half a mile had been traversed. The scene at the starting post was of a most striking description, and after thirteen failures, Mr. M'George succeeded in effecting a capital start, upwards of an hour behind time. Brick, as previously mentioned, was never dangerous, and Ackworth won an exciting finish with the 100 to 1 outsider, Tomato, by a head. The Marquis of Hastings wins nearly £30,000, and has been wel rewarded for his spirited purchase. His lordship, who was present with his youthful bride, was warmly congratulated on his victory, and terrific cheering greeted the hoisting of the winner's number. The remainder of the sport after the Cambridgeshire was a series of "tinpot" plates, which protracted the proceedings until dark, and candles had to be lighted in the weighing-rooms. So dark did the afternoon become, that the last event on the card (the Sweepstakes of 10 sovs over the T.Y.C) was compelled to be postponed until Wednesday, as it was quite impossible to bring it to an issue. Among the good winners on the Cambridgeshire are Mr. J. B. Morris, Mr. Hodgman, and Mr. W. Mundy, the latter of whom did the best portion of the Marquis of Hastings's commission, and nets something approaching a couple of thousand pounds. Stockinger, Gratitude, and Saccharometer ran conspicuously in the course of the race, and in this respect they were unlike the wretched impostor Brick, who had to be ridden after passing the Cesarewitch Stand, and in fact was never in the race from the commencement. Ackworth's success was only another indication of the immense difference 7lb will make over severe courses, as it enabled him to take an utter revenge upon Gratitude, and in conformity with Turf theories, reverse the positions occupied in the longer race. The special which left an hour after the advertised time of the last race caused some commotion, as upwards of fifty persons were left behind, and their chagrin when they reached the railway-station can well be imagined, Tom King, the pugilist, especially anathematising the company, directors, and managers, "all in." It was, however, clearly the fault of the intending travellers, who took things in a quiet sort of way with a vengeance. The third in the Cesarewitch has not won the Cambridgeshire since 1852, when, disappointed on the first occasion, the prize was carried off by Knight of the Shire. Landgrave, in 1850, also was third in the Cesarewitch, and won the Cambridgeshire in the same year.

The All-aged Stakes of 100 sovs each, h ft, 15 ft if declared in the Craven, and 25 ft if declared in the July Meeting; these forfeits to be divided between the first and second; 2-yr-olds, 7st; three, 8st 12lb; four and upwards, 9st 5lb; m and g allowed 3lb; a winner of a 400 sovs stake in 1863, 5lb extra. Bretby Stakes Course (6 fur) 16 subs.

Mr. B. J. Angell's Lord Burleigh, by the Prime Minister—Peasant Girl, 5 yrs, 9st 5lb	Fordham	1
Lord Coventry's Exchequer, 5 yrs, 9st 5lb	J. Adams	2
Sir J. Hawley's Argonaut, 5 yrs, 9st 5lb	Wells	0

Betting; 5 to 4 agst Lord Burleigh, 6 to 4 against Argonaut, and 3 to 1 agst Exchequer. Lord Burleigh made all the running, and won in a canter by ten lengths. Argonaut whipped round when the flag fell, and was left at the post.

Match: 200, h ft; both 3-yr-olds; Ab. M.

Lord Annesley's Finesse, by Stockwell—Irish Queen, 1st 7lb	Fordham	1
Mr. Payne's Olivia, 7st 6lb	H. Grimshaw	2

Betting: 7 to 4 on Olivia, who held the lead to the Bushes, and then gave way, Finesse winning in a canter by a length.

Fifty Pounds: 2-yr-olds, 5st 7lb; three, 8st 1lb; four, 9st 2lb; five, six, and aged, 9st 5lb; the winner, with his engagements, to be sold for 300 guineas, if demanded, &c.; entrance, 3 sovs; last three miles of B.C.

	Lord Westmoreland's Troubadour, by Lambton—Serenade, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb	J. Grimshaw	1
*	Mr. T. H. D. Bayley's Orloff, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb	F. Arnull	2
* ‡	Mr. Naylor's Gay Deceiver, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb	Huxtable	3
	Mr. Parker's Farce, 4 yrs, 9st 2lb	J. Goater	0
	Mr. Hodgman's Lop-ear, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb	Heartfield	0
† ‡	Marquis of Hastings' Lady Florence, 2 yrs, 5st 7lb	J. Philips	0

Betting: 6 to 4 agst Troubadour, 100 to 30 agst Lady Florence, and 9 to 2 agst Farce. It was a burlesque of a race until within half a mile from home, where Troubadour took up the running, and won easily by three-parts of a length; a

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AQUATICS.

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REGATTAS AND MATCHES TO COME.

OCTOBER.

31.—Cannon and Heath—to row from the Halfway House to Blackwall, £50 a side.
31.—Baird's crew and Caffin's crew—Fours, Putney to Mortlake, £25 a side.

NOVEMBER.

1.—Tom King and E. May—to row from Putney to Mortlake, £25 a side.
2.—Lane and Lett—to row from Putney to Barnes, £2 a side.
7.—Cooper, Butcher, and Bailey—to row a sweepstakes, for £15, North Woolwich to Greenwich.

DECEMBER.

13.—Coombes and Kilsby—to row from Putney to Mortlake, £100 a side.

GREAT MATCH FOR TWO HUNDRED SOVS. BETWEEN HARRY CLASPER AND JAMES PERCY ON THE TYNE.

The British Constitution, an institution by value to be imitated by other nations, proverbially ranks foremost in the biography of the world, not only for immense sway of genius and capacity, but for choice of manual sports and recreations, which are the liking of the people and the wonderment of all foreigners. Sports, from horse-racing downwards, or from pugilism upwards, own their thousands of supporters, and boat-racing, the staple of British sports, is matured and acknowledged by royalty and the labourer co-jointly. Few recreations can command so much undivided attention as the latter; it fosters science, skill, activity, and endurance, and is, perhaps, the only sport the masses can go on without that dominant feeling of ungovernable ambiguity which characterises the beholder of a horse race, a foot race, and other engagements of lesser import. To a nation like England, famed throughout the universe for maritime stability and power, it is impossible to dwell on the advantages of aquatics too strongly. Englishmen should all be watermen, they would then act up to the dictum of our ancestral notions, and be prepared for emergencies which strictly occur in the era of peace or war. The theory that the scions of John Bull should all be capable of manipulating the sculls is practically a sound one—there is virtually much philosophy in the argument, and the physical benefits which on all occasions accrue from boating exercise must alone be a proof that all who value the elixir of health should acquire the science, especially when the outlay is so very trifling. It has been remarked than an English landsman can be transformed into an able seaman in a shorter time than a Copack could recover from his sea sickness. If true, so much the better. Private matches almost daily occur. Regattas are annually held in the principal rivers in the three kingdoms, and we cannot see why aquatics should not be extended when it possesses so many intrinsic advantages and is of so much practical importance to the people.

The match for £100 a side above noticed was decided on the Tyne on Tuesday last, and as the "Old Nestor," Harry Clasper, the originator of the skiff, and the father of boatrowing, a veteran of 53 summers, was to contend against the novice James Percy, more of pedestrian than aquatic fame, it may be presumed that the interest taken in the event was only second in importance to the late exhibition of aquatic prowess between Chambers and Cooper, to which celebrities the phenomenon of the age. At the outset of Clasper's career the wager boats in use were comparatively prodigious—for instance the celebrated Laurel Leaf which figured at the Tyne barges held in commemoration of the coronation of George IV., measured no less than 35 feet in length; width, 6 ft 2 inches; height, 18 inches; and although reduced several hundred weights, she was fully six times the weight of modern racing craft, her oars also measuring 18 feet long and o ded with lead. Clasper's great boat the St. Agnes was considered a model of perfection. She came off victorious in many cases, but was licked easily by a London crew at the first attempt, her dimensions being 35 feet long, 2 feet 5 inches wide, 12½ inches high, and rowed with outriggers, weight somewhere about 20 stones. Immediately after this defeat Harry's ingenuity was brought fairly into play, and there was no mistake that that defeat did wonders towards bringing racing craft to their present state of excellence. He schemed and plotted, worked and condemned his work, until the aspirant became the master, and the present generation can look on the astonishing structure of the little skiff and thank Harry Clasper for the benefit he has unmistakably conferred on the boatrowers of the present date. During the early part of Clasper's career backers were immensely different to the backers of 1864; ability was overlooked, and money a great scarcity, a better proof of which cannot be required than on a certain memorable occasion when Harry collected £4 in fourpenny pieces to prevent a forfeit; we question the firmness of our present scullers under such an ordeal. It has been stated, in fact it is universally believed, that Clasper is the absolute inventor and introducer of the outrigger, and without for a moment attempting any disparagement to the veteran, we will as concisely as possible go back as far as 1828 and see whether Clasper's claim is real or presumed. In an article on "Boats and Boating on the River Tyne," written by our reporter, and which appeared in the *Cricket and Aquatic News*, now amalgamated with the *Age and Pilot*, of April 13th of the present year, we quote the following, and whether we are right or not, it will at any rate set the agitation at rest, leaving it to Harry Clasper himself to refute and clear the mystery up at his convenience. We should much like to hear his statement. "In 1828 an interesting match was made between the Diamond of Ouseburn, and the Fly of Scotswood, to row as usual from Hebburn Quay to Newcastle Bridge. The former crew entrusted the production of their boat to Anthony Brown, of that locality, and he conceived the idea of narrowing racing crafts and placing an apparatus on each side similar to what we now term the outrigger, but Ridley, a noted boat-builder, fixed in the Diamond the *first outrigger ever known*. The improvement turned out so marvellous that the crew won with ease. There is a popular belief that Harry Clasper, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, was the *inventor* of the outrigger, such however was not the case. He certainly added improvements of a practical nature; but the person who first brought this system into use was Anthony Brown, Ouseburn, Newcastle, previously mentioned. About the same time, Mr. Frank Emmett, Dent's Hole, fixed the outrigger on the Eagle; and we believe the Eagle and Canary, built by Joseph Corry, were the first two boats that carried the iron outrigger in England." The foregoing we can set forth as facts. Harry Clasper, however, has established an ever-lasting reputation as a boat-builder and a rower; and, combining his wonderful qualifications as a trainer, it may be fearlessly said that his like never has and cannot be found in England. Harry is a man of conscientious principles, and a thorough patrician; he possesses in a worldly sense an unblemished credit, and besides being generally esteemed, is held up as an ornament and example of what rowers should and should not do. As before said, many years have elapsed since Clasper's biography appeared in print, and we have at much trouble collected the following account of his principal matches to the present date.

Harry Clasper is a native of Dunston, Gateshead, and is in his 53rd year, being born in the year 1812. At an early age, he worked as collier at Jarrow and Big Hetton, and also as cinder-burner at the Garesfield coke ovens. At the age of 20, he displayed considerable ability as a sculler; and, in conjunction with his brothers, for upwards of eight years in succession, was successful in winning the principal events on the Tyne. After licking the Northern crews, the ambition of the Claspers' crew tempted them to soar after higher game, the result being that on July 16, 1842, they met the celebrated London crew, consisting of R. Newall, R. Doubledee, J. Doubledee, R. Coombes, and J. Parlah (cox.), on the Tyne for £150 a side, and suffered a signal defeat. Harry rowed in the St. Agnes, with outriggers, the London boat being scarcely half the weight. At North Shields Regatta, on Sept. 6th, 1842, he won a gig race for £25 a side. In 1843, August 7th, they won the four-oared race at the Tyne Regatta, for a sweepstake of half a guinea, and £20 added, having also won the skiff race for a silver cup. Sept. 2, the John Bell, North Shields crew, defeated the Clasper crew, four-oared race, for £20, and the Championship of the Tyne; October 7th, beat the Simon Danson (Bell's Close), four-oared race, for £25 a side, and On October 14, same year, beat the Shields crew for £40 a side, and the champion ship, 1844, at the Thames Regatta, with his brothers, Bill, Bob, and his uncle Hawks, with Dick Clasper as coxswain, won the four-oared £50 prize present gladiators acted as trainers. It has and always will be our desire to give the details of important matches in full, omitting nothing that might deteriorate or advance any event in the public estimation, and on this ground we will be excused if we state that the present match in point of age of the opponents has been ridiculed from first to last by all sincere supporters of the men in the district. If Harry wins, said one, he will only have the credit of a chap who has never pulled a match, and should the young un win he can only claim credit to defeating an old man. These ideas of the match are absolute enough to merit our endorsement, and although we were party to the ratification of the agreement made at Mr. Nanson's, Sun Inn-side, on the 8th day of September last, we were open in our disapproval of the race in the principle, inasmuch as it was a struggle, not between men of equal years and calibre, but between youth and old age, or more properly, physical ability against defunct skill. The match has terminated exactly as we thought, and however much the winner may glory over his conquest we do not desire to have the supposed felicity of chronicling another boat-race where the disparity between the opponents is so manifest as the present. *Verbum sap.* As before stated the match was ratified on the 8th of September last. The aquatic editor of the Newcastle *Daily Chronicle* being chosen stakeholder, £5 a side was then posted, £20 a side at the Adelaide Hotel on Sept. 19th, £25 a side at Mr. John Young's, Queen's Head Inn, Pilgrim-street, on the 26th Sept.; £25 a side at Harry Clasper's, Scotswood-road, on the 3rd inst.; and the final sum of £25 a side was duly posted on Friday evening week at Mr. Nanson's, Sun Inn.

It is so many years since the career of Harry Clasper appeared in print that we feel it incumbent on us to do him the justice which his talents as a sculler and ability as a boat builder deserve. The Old Nestor, a cognomen generally applied to Harry in the north, is as familiar in aquatic circles as a household word. His fame not only lives in England, Ireland, and Scotland, but all over the universe. He has attained popularity, imperishable popularity, through his exertions. He started his career as an oarsman when in his teens, and through a world of obstacles and difficulties such as no other sculler ever encountered, he has worked with success—the most startling success, and now in the fifty-third year of his existence presents himself again before the applauding public the greatest of living oarsmen and an ornament to the honourable faction over whom he reigns imperial. To enter into detail concerning the entire career of Harry Clasper would occupy by tenfold the space at our disposal. He has shared the sweets of victory and the bitterness of defeat on very many occasions, and it is strictly those palpable and galling defeats that have made him the aquatic

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TIDE TABLE.

Day of Month and Week.	High Water Lon. Bridge.				High Water Livpl. Dock.				High Water at Bristol.				High Water at Hull.			
	Morn.		Aftrn.		Morn.		Aftrn.		Morn.		Aftrn.		Morn.		Aftrn.	
	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.
Sunday, Oct. 30	1	42	1	58	10	57	11	13	6	52	7	8	5	35	5	51
Monday, „ 31	2	15	2	31	11	30	11	46	7	25	7	41	6	8	6	24
Tuesday, Nov. 1	2	47	3	3	—	—	0	2	7	57	8	13	6	40	6	56
Wednesday, „ 2	3	21	3	38	0	18	0	36	8	31	8	48	7	14	7	31
Thursday, „ 3	3	56	4	14	0	53	1	11	9	6	9	24	7	49	8	7
Friday, „ 4	4	34	4	52	1	29	1	49	9	44	10	2	8	27	8	45
Saturday, „ 5	5	14	5	37	2	7	2	29	10	24	10	47	9	7	9	30
Sunday, „ 6	6	1	6	30	2	42	3	16	11	11	11	40	9	54	10	23

SOUTH LONDON ROWING CLUB.

The members of this club rowed their final race of the season on Saturday last, from Wandsworth to Hammersmith, which terminated as under:—

Mr. Carpenter's Crew (Surrey side)	1
Mr. Hobbs' Crew (Middlesex)	0

Mr. Carpenter's Crew.	Mr. Hobbs' Crew.
1. J. Harrison.	1. C. Bryant.
2. J. Wilkinson	2. W. Gregory.
3. J. Fairlmass.	3. D. Diggs.
4. H. Waghorn	4. W. Shipway.
5. H. Jackson.	5. H. Wright.
6. W. Elliott	6. W. Williams.
7. C. Douglass	7. W. Kinchen.
J. Carpenter (stroke).	C. G. Hobbs (stroke).
C. May (cox)	H. Coombes (cox).

They had a good race all the way, and Carpenter's crew ultimately won by a length and a half.

easily, but was only successful in obtaining second place for the champion £100 trophy, Coombe's crew winning. Harry's crew pulled in the "Five Brothers," being the first outrigger that was known on the Thames. August 15, with three brothers, won the £30 prize, and the skiff race for £6, at the Gateshead Regatta. On December 18 was defeated in a Scullers' Race on the Tyne by R. Coombes, the latter staking £100 to £80. 1845, on June 26, at the Thames Regatta, with former crew, won the £100 Champion Race, beating Coombes' crew and others. This was the first defeat of the Cockneys. On July 21, at the North of England Regatta, won the Four-oared and Skiff Race. September 29, on the Mersey, beat Thomas Carroll by two minutes for £100 a side. November 25, defeated W. Pocock on the Tyne for £100 a side. 1846, June 22nd, beaten by R. Newall for £100 a side on the Tyne. July 27, at Manchester Regatta, won the four-oared contest for the Chadwick Cup, value £25, added to a sweepstake of 15s. each crew. At North of England Regatta, on September 3, with his four brothers, won the £50 Prize, but was beaten in the final heat for the Scullers' Prize of £12 by A. Maddison At same meeting, with his brother Bill, won the pair-oared race, value £10. Next pulled Anthony Maddison, on November 18, in skiffs, for £100 a side and the Championship of the Tyne. The race ended in a foul and dispute. 1847, in June at the Durham Regatta, with his brother Dick, won the Wear Stakes of £10. August 11, was defeated by R. and T. Coombes for £100 on the Thames. November 2, beaten by A. Maddison on the Tyne for £100 a side. 1848, at Durham Regatta, with R. Clasper, won a Pair-oared Race, also won a Four-oared Race at the same gathering. At the Thames Regatta in July, the St. Agnes Crew, consisting of H. Clasper, J. Wilkinson, W. Clasper and Harry Clasper, beat the Unity Crew, Coombes', and other crews, for the £100 Champion Race. 1849, June 26, at the Durham Regatta, won the Patrons' Plate, £20, for fours, and with his brother Dick won the Members' Plate. At the Thames Regatta in July, with R. Clasper, T. and R. Coombes, won the £100 Champion Prize. In August, at Stockton Regatta, won the £20 Prize for four oars. 1850, at the Talkin Tarn Regatta, won the four-oared race, and was beaten by James Candlish for the Scullers' Prize of £10. At the Durham Regatta won the Members' Plate, pair oars, and the Patrons' Plate for four oars. At the Manchester Regatta, with J. Salter and W. and R. Clasper, won the Chadwick Cup, and with the same crew won the Ellesmere Plate, £25 in specie. In September at the Tees Regatta won the Patrons' Plate for four-oared boats, and with his brother Bill won the Members' Plate, also the Tradesmens Plate for four oars, and for the Scullers' Prize was defeated by James Candlish. On October 21 was beaten by James Candlish, and beat A. Maddison in the final heat for the Tyne Champion Belt and £20. 1851, in June at the Henley-on-Thames Regatta was defeated for the Champion Prize of £100, for four oars in the first heat, by breaking a thowl. A purse of 40 sovs was afterwards collected for four oars, Harry's crew winning. At the Durham Regatta in June with four brothers won the Patrons' Plate. In August at the Stewards' Cup and £20 in specie, August 9, beat Robert Newall easily (who gave ten length start) for £50 a side, on the Thames. At the Thames Regatta, same month, with W. Pocock, beat E. Winship and Bruce, 2; T. Cole and R. Coombes, 3; and Kelly and Piner, 4; in the final heat for the Watermen's pair-oared prize, was defeated for the £100 prize for four-oars, by Elswick crew, and Cole's crew; with R. Clasper, Wood, and Maddison won the Landsmen's Stakes of £40, and in the great eight-oared race at the same regatta, when the North Countrymen formed one crew, and the South another. 1855. At the Thames Regatta rowed third for the £100 prize, was defeated in the final heat for the Watermen's Scullers Race, was disqualified in the Landsmen's four-oared race, and with W. Pocock rowed second to Winship and Bruce, for the Watermen's pair-oared race. October 27th, won the Championship and £20, at the Tyne Regatta. 1856. Was presented with a testimonial in token of his great powers as a sculler. On March 24, beat T. Taylor, in a skiff, for £60, on the Tyne. In June, at the Durham Regatta, with R. Chambers, J. H. Clasper, and R. Clasper, won the Patron's Plate of £20, and with J. H. Clasper, won the Members' Plate. At the Thames Regatta, in August, with W. Pocock, was beaten by Winship and Bruce, in the pair-oared race, and with W. Pocock, R. Chambers, and T. Mackfinney, won the £100 Champion prize, by only a few feet. 1857. At the Thames Regatta, with J. H. Clasper, A. Maddison, and R. Chambers, won the £100 prize, with J. H. Clasper, was beaten by Hammerton and Francis, and beat Winship and Bruce in the final heat, for the Watermen's race. In the same month at the Manchester and Salford Regatta, with the above crew was beaten in the final heat by Ault, Wood, Winship, and Bruce, after an excellent race for the Pomona Prize. 1858. In June at the Durham Regatta with J. H. Clasper, won the Mowbray Stakes, defeating the brothers Taylor. Won the Patrons' Plate, beating the Taylors, four-oared race. On June 14 the Clasper's crew beat Taylor's crew for £100 and the championship of the Tyne. On July 22nd, beat Robert Campbell, a four miles race, on the Clyde, for £200 and the championship of Scotland. Previous to this race Harry was matched to pull McKinney, the latter, however, forfeited £50. On October 6, beat R. Campbell on Loch Lomond, for £200 and the championship. November 9th, was beaten by Thomas White on the Thames, for £100 a side. 1859, at the Thames Regatta, with Winship, Chambers, and J. H. Clasper, won the £100 champion prize. On June 27, at Durham Regatta, with J. H. Clasper, beat Chambers and Winship, pair-oared race. At the same meeting, won the champion four-oared race. Same crew won the champion four-oared race at Manchester Regatta. 1860. Defeated by Drewitt, on the Tyne, for £200. June 18, at the Durham Regatta, same four, shared the champion prize, £23, with Taylor's crew. July 21, at Thames Regatta, lost the four-oared race in consequence of a foul. July 26, at Derby Regatta, won the four-oared race with usual crew. August 27 at the Manchester Regatta, won four-oared race. September 27, at the Newcastle and Gateshead Regatta, won the champion four-oared race. At same meeting, Harry started for the champion scullers prize of £30; he won the first heat from the scratch, beating R. Candlish with three lengths start, but did not start in the final, Chambers winning. With J. H. Clasper, won the pair-oared race, defeating in the final heat R. Chambers and E. Winship. In 1861, Harry did not pull any matches of import. 1862. This year Harry's engagements were principally at the Thames Regatta, where, in conjunction with the famous crew, he won the £100 champion prize, but was only third with J. H. Clasper in the pair-oared race. Last year Harry had little business of consequence. With G. Strong, in August, he contested against J. and M. Taylor for 100 sovs., and after a poor race lost easily. Next figured at the ill-fated Tyne Regatta, held the same month, and with Strong made only a poor exhibition for the pair-oared prize. The above is a record of Claspers principal matches down to the present race, and it will be seen that for ability and endurance as a rower he has never been excelled. At the advanced age of 53 years it is natural that the friends of the veteran should desire him to give up pulling. He has performed his quantum, perhaps more than his quantum, and it is to be hoped that so skilful a man for the future will rest on his oars and rest satisfied.

James Percey, better known to the public as the one mile champion runner of the north, is a native of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and 25 years of age. For many years he followed the vocation of pedestrian with much success, and in consequence of his excellent abilities and reputation, first became trainer to that celebrated sculler, Robert Cooper, of Redheugh, Gateshead, on the occasion of his match with Everson, of Greenwich. Prior to this, we believe, Percey's aquatic knowledge was only limited, but having a predilection for boat-rowing soon acquired a tolerable proficiency, and manifested symptoms at an early date of future perfection. The present is the only match that Percy has contested, and it will be seen that his friends must have been sure of the result to speculate a stake of 100 sovs at the first essay. Percy is a young man generally esteemed in the north. We will just give a few of his most notable running matches. His first race of importance was with the famous W. Bell, of the Fellings, one mile for £50, when Percy won easily in 4 min. 27 sec. He next ran the celebrated E. Mills, of London, 3 miles, for £40, at Hackney-wick, when the latter won by 30 yds. Afterwards he ran Frehet, of Gateshead, half-mile for £50, winning by several yards; ran second in John Young's one mile handicap defeating forty-two others. Won Scott and Cummings, one mile handicap, easily licking upwards of 30 others. Ran second in the quarter mile handicap at the Wrestling Grounds, Percy made a waiting race, but waited too long; defeated James Stewart, of Tsworth, quarter-of-a-mile for £20, winning by a dozen yards. Stewart was allowed nine feet at the start, time 56 seconds. His final performance of note was with Young England, Teddy Mills, one mile for £100, Percy having 30 yds start, when Mills won by 15 yards. Percy's generalship in the race was one of the best description. He could have won easily. He lead by 60 yds in the first lap.

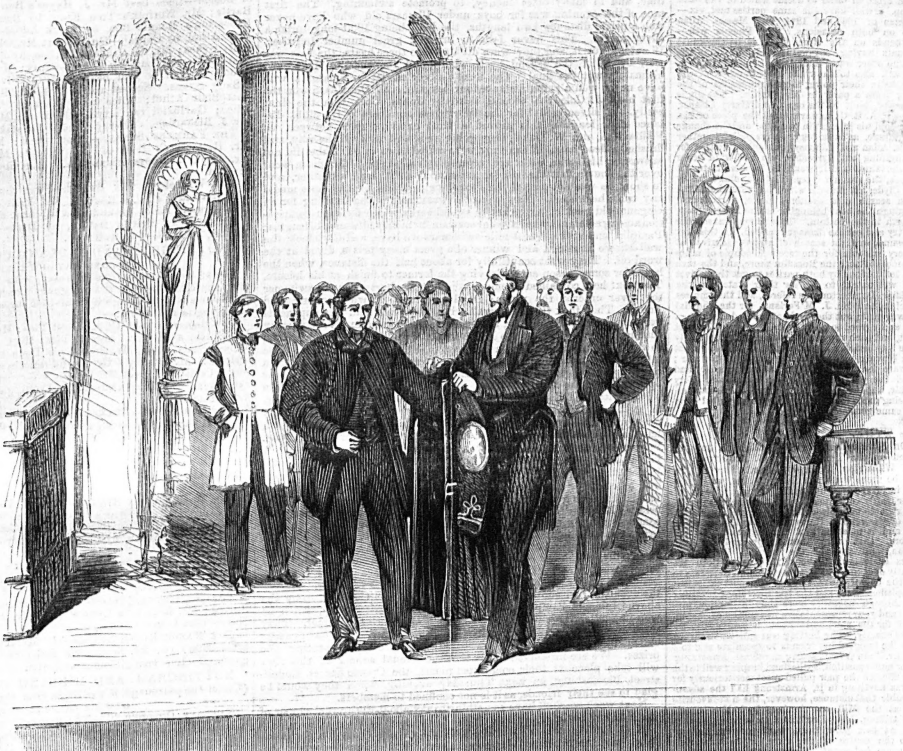
A final deposit of £25 a side was made at Mr. Nanson's, Sun Inn, Side, on Friday evening last, the attendance being unusually numerous and respectable. We noticed Mr. W. Blackey, Mr. S. Bagnall, Mr. James Percy, Mr. J. H. Clasper, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young, Mr. John Williams, Mr. W. Walker, Mr. Brown, Mr. W. Atkinson, Mr. Thomas Pickett, and others amongst the company. The stakes, £100 a side, were completed a few minutes after 8 o'clock, Mr. Nanson posting on behalf of Percy, and Mr. W. Blackey for Clasper. The meeting was most protracted, upwards of an hour being wasted in choosing a referee, Messrs. James and Band, Star Hotel, agreeing to stand in the long run. The men were then ordered to be in their boats at 10.45 a.m. on Tuesday morning, the inconvenience of the race falling on the Cambridge day being overlooked.

The betting was fluctuated greatly. Clasper was the favourite at even until a week ago, when Percy's friends turned the tables and a good round sum was speculated at that figure during the week. At the making of the last deposit Mr. Blackey laid £15 even on Harry.

The morning of the race was threatening, the atmosphere being heavy and cloudy. Towards 10 o'clock, however, an acceptable change took place, and for the first time for nearly a week old Sol shone forth, slight, certainly, but sufficiently brilliant to dispel the mist and gloom which prevailed on all sides. The Javel Groupe, in common parlance the aquatic Tattersall's, was thronged from early morn, and the speculative portion of the crowd were conspicuous in their offerings of as much as 5, 6, and even 7 to 4 on Percy; thabetting, however, was altogether of the most miserable description. "If Percy cannot beat an old man," was the opinion, an opinion expressed freely, "he is not worth backing;" the broad and long of it being that scarcely any investments of consequence came under our notice. At 10.30 o'clock our commissioner arrived at the stipulated rendezvous, and it is said, the match appeared to attract as little interest as a paltry nestling for a fiver. In fact we have, on many occasions, witnessed more enthusiasm, interest, and betting, at the most meagre of Tyne matches. The match itself was condemned, whoever won could claim so little credit that merit and victory were cast into the shade. The men according to agreement were to have been in their boats at 10.45 o'clock, and a few minutes after that time both Harry and Percy appeared at the usual place of embarkation, the Mansion House, and without loss of time prepared for action. Clasper was the first to show in the stream, and received a right royal welcome from the thousands of spectators who lined the two bridges and available places near the point of starting. Percy almost immediately followed suit, and was similarly honoured by the multitude. The indispensable canter next took place, and before entering on a description of the race, it will serve the purpose better to give an impartial judgment of the opponents' sculling prior to the start. Harry Clasper in his best days, and that is nearly 20 years ago, certainly could not boast of a superior length stroke. His system of skiff propelling was in many instances faultless, yet the comparative shortness of his stroke generally turned out so effective as to call forth the wonder of the boating public of that period. On the present occasion his stroke was much about the same, but it was strictly palpable that his short stroke and advanced age would tell immensely against him after a struggle. In this conjecture we were not mistaken, the veteran pulled most gamely for a questionable distance, and then struggled on hopelessly to the finish. Harry is the very type of magnanimity, and in old age possesses self-possession and pluck enough to put to shame many rowers whose egotism is greater than his. As to the rowing of Percy, we must state that in every case he took the public by surprise. Under the masterly tuition of Cooper he has acquired a clean, lengthy, and somewhat powerful stroke, and for a first attempt performed most creditably. We advise Percy to look to his credit, and there is no mistake that in the season of 1865 he will prove an ornament to Tyne oarsmen. Six steamboats attended the race, the Prince of Wales (carrying the officials and friends), the Rosamond, the Percy, the Bonacord, the Bonnie Dundee, and the Bob Chambers. About eight minutes to eleven o'clock the steamers paddled well to the south, and the rivals a few seconds afterwards also took up their respective positions, Percy north, and Harry south, for

THE RACE.

The stream was as calm as oil, not the slightest lipping disturbing the craft; the men were, therefore, enabled to watch the attitude and disposition of each other on much better terms than falls to the lot of most oarsmen. Percy manifested none of that timidity usually displayed by a novice, he waited for the start with much the same sangfroid as Harry, and the frequent no go on both sides left little a doubt that both meant mischief and victory at any price. About a dozen attempts to get a start took place, when the usual cry of "their off" by many thousands of voices, first of all proclaimed to the expectants in the distance that the struggle, which shortly afterwards engaged so little attention, had begun. Percy took the first dip, and obtained a trifle the advantage; the race was naturally very severe, but Clasper stuck to his man, and at the Mansion House the contest was for a second time equal; at this point the partisans of Clasper's were in raptures, and "Away, Harry," resounded from all sides, but on nearing Davidson's Hill, about 100 yards from the start, Percy once more, through sheer determination, showed in front, and as much as 2 to 1 was immediately offered, without, however, any takers. The contest up to the Skinner Furn was excellent and exciting. Harry laboured away, heedless



PRESENTATION OF THE COAT AND BADGE TO D. COOMBES, AT THE REGENT MUSIC HALL.

(Drawn by our own Artist.)

Talkin Tarn Regatta with his brothers Dick and Bob and his uncle Hawkes won the Stewards' Cup of £20; was defeated by I. and T. Taylor for the Belted Will Plate and at the same Regatta won the Naworth Castle Plate. On September 9 was defeated by James Candlish for £200 and the Championship of the Tyne. In consequence of a foul the stakes were awarded to Candlish. 1852. In August at the Nottingham Regatta was beaten by Matthew Taylor, for the All England Skiff Prize and with his brothers was defeated by the Taylor crew for the four-oared £25 Prize. At the Manchester Regatta for the four-oared Prize was defeated by the same crew, was beaten by J. Carrol and beat T. Coombes for the open Scullers' race of £20 and with his brother Dick was beaten by S. Wood and H. Ault for the Haywood Stakes of £10. In August at the Talkin Tarn Regatta with his brother Bill was beaten by J. and G. Taylor, and beat Winship and Bruce for the Belted Will Plate of £10, with R., T., and W. Clasper, won the Stewards' Cup of £20, with his brother Bill was defeated by M. and W. Taylor, for the Innkeepers' Stakes, and beaten by James Candlish, for the Raby Castle Plate of £8, and a belt. In August at the Newcastle and Gateshead Regatta, in a trial heat for the Patrons' Plate were swamped opposite the New Quay and all nearly drowned. At the Chester Regatta in September, beat the Taylors for the Dee Stakes of 40 guineas. 1853. January 1st, the Claspers were beaten by W. Pocock on the Tyne for £50 a side. May 24th, on the Thames was beaten by W. Pocock for £50 a side. The race being tremendously contested another match was made, but Pocock forfeited £25 down. In June, at the Durham Regatta the Claspers were again beaten by the Elswick crew, in the Patrons' Plate, won the Wear Stakes, with his brother Bill was defeated by the brothers Taylor for the Lambton Plate. Members' Plate, and also beaten by the brothers Candlish, for the Members' Plate, and also beaten by James Candlish, for the Members' Plate. At the Nottingham Regatta in August, was beaten by James Candlish, for the All England Skiff Prize of £10, and with M. Cook, S. Wood, and H. Davidson, won the £40 trophy. At the Manchester Regatta, in August, with J. Davidson, was beaten by M. Cook and J. Carroll, for the Haywood Stakes of £10, and with the above four-oared crew, won the Pomona Champion Prize of £50. At the Chester Regatta in the same month, was beaten by the Elswick crew, for the Champion £99 prize. At the Glasgow Regatta with the above crew won the Challenge Cup of £30, also the Eglinton Cup of £10, both in specie, 1854. On Feb. 9th, with James Candlish, beat Winship and Bruce, for the Championship of the Tyne and £100. In June, at the Durham Regatta, won the Patrons Plate for four-oars, and the skiff race for the Brancepeth prize. In August, at the Great North of England Regatta, won the skiff race, was, however, defeated by Winship's crew for the four-oared trophy, and with A. Maddison, beat the brothers Taylor, and Bruce, and Winship's crew for the Watermen's four-oared race. In August, at the Talkin Tarn Regatta, with A. Maddison, won the Commercial Travellers' Stake of £10, with T. Clasper, Wood, and Maddison, won the

of his position, and although he pulled a plucky race it was nevertheless evident that his chance of victory, thus early, appeared a forlorn one indeed. At the Midden's Percy he had increased the lead to nearly a couple of lengths, and apparently rowing perfectly within himself; the crowd here urged Harry on vociferously, but without a particle of avail. He sculled along very fairly, but that stiffness in his stroke, and occasional labouring, was an unmistakeable argument against the folly of putting age against youth. The public concentrated at the high part of the Quay, as customary, followed the caramen, but the entire absence of that peculiar enthusiasm so striking on the occasion of most aquatic matches, left little doubt that old Harry's chance was indeed a slender one. The opponents pulled well in the centre of the river, and a good view of the contest was thus obtained on all sides. At the Shot Tower, Percy was still pulling with ease and effect, and leading Clasper by three lengths, at least; this advantage he increased to the mile, and pilloted the race up to that point by 6½ yds. Passing Clasper's boat house, the muster was much larger than at other points on the course, and the appearance of Percy, with such a commanding lead failed, of course, to promote the least possible symptom of satisfaction. The race was now considered all over, and odds to any sum could be obtained on the issue. The people the Meadows does not admit of much description. Harry, once or twice, convinced the spectators that his stamina was not yet defunct, by putting on an occasional spurt, but which although of some small use at the time, did not prove of consequence, as Percy at the same instant followed suit, the result being that on emerging from the Meadows, and on approaching the Derwenshaugh, Percy led by more than half-a-dozen lengths. About a quarter-of-a-mile from the Suspension Bridge, Harry bravely endeavoured to reduce the gap, and so excellently did he manipulate the oars, that he visibly gained on Percy at each stroke; both now worked furiously to the finish, the Veteran finally being defeated by barely three lengths, as near as we could judge from the distance. Harry was much cut up at his defeat; neither, however, were much exhausted. The race thus terminated in a signal victory for Percy, and without a single casualty on either side. Mr. James H. Baird was referee, Mr. John Adams, umpire for Percy, and J. H. Clasper, for Harry.

BOAT-RACE ON LOCH-LOMOND.

It is seldom that a boat race of any importance takes place in Scotland, therefore the pair-oared match announced to come off on Thursday at Loch-Lomond created a more than ordinary share of public attention, while, quite a furore existed amongst those connected with aquatic circles. In August last, a picked crew of gentlemen, viz.—Mr. A. Allan and Mr. T. Lindsay, of the Clydesdale Amateur Rowing Club, the Champion pair of the Clyde, and Mr. W. Taylor and Mr. R. Stuart, of the Phœnix Amateur Club, the second best pair of that club, left the Clyde for Chester, in order to contest for the valuable prizes offered by the Chester Amateur Rowing Club at their annual regatta, and among the trophies carried away by the Clyde crew (the Cronies) was the Champion cup, valued at £40. The present match arose in order to decide which of the pairs was to have possession of the cup. Twice have the same parties met, viz.—at the Clydesdale Amateur Regattas of 1863 and 1864, but Messrs. Allan and Lindsay proved the victors on both occasions. The Phœnix pair—who had hitherto considered the bends on the River Clyde to be the cause of their defeat, none of the boats having coxswains—resolved that the present match should come off on no other water than Loch-Lomond, where a straight course would be obtained, and also to show the determination of the Phœnix gentlemen to use every means in their power to gain possession of the cup, they purchased a beautiful gig from a party in Manchester. The gig is some 20lb lighter than their opponents', built by the celebrated Harry Clasper, of Newcastle. Mr. W. Wiper, of the P. A. R. C., however, took the place of Mr. Taylor, the latter gentleman having sold his interest in the cup; and the change was considered to be of greater advantage, as these parties have pulled together for about five years, whereas Messrs. Allan and Lindsay had only practised for two seasons. The weather was anything but agreeable, rain and wind being dreadfully strong, and fears were entertained that it would be impossible to get the match off. About twelve o'clock, the steamer Queen Victoria, chartered by Robert Campbell, Champion of the Clyde, left Balloch with a large number of the friends of both parties. While in search of a sheltered place, a gentleman happened to send his umbrella through the boat belonging to the Phœnix pair, causing a hole of fully an inch length in the bottom. This mishap caused the steamer to go to Luss, in order to try and get the damage repaired. In this they succeeded, and again the little steamer went in search of a spot. Arrived at Bandry Bay, it was considered very suitable for the race. A couple of miles having been guessed, a boat was anchored near the Rosaba shore, and the mile marked out. That nothing had been left undone by both parties to get themselves in the very best possible condition was patent to all, for their state was the theme of admiration. Mr. M'Allister, Dumbarton, the referee, and the umpires (Mr. J. H. Rodgers, for the Clydesdale, and Mr. A. M'Farlane, for the Phœnix) having taken their places, a start was made, but they had not proceeded far when a foul occurred, so they came back and agreed to start again. A beautiful start now took place, by mutual consent, and each rowed with a determination rarely equalled. Ere long, however, the Clydesdale screw shot ahead, and after that the race was virtually over, for the Phœnix pair were left gradually in the rear; in fact, it could hardly be called a race, for the gap widened at every stroke, and Messrs. Allen and Lindsay reached the goal about 100 yds in advance. Very little betting took place on the affair, but the Champion pair were hot favourites. There was some talk of a match being made for £50 (in plate) to be pulled early in the ensuing spring between the same gentlemen.

TYNE.

Boat Race on the Tyne.—On Monday last a match, although only of trifling public import, was pulled on the Tyne, between C. Armstrong, of Howdon, and J. Sutherland, of Willington, for £10 a side. The articles signified that the course had to be from the High Level Bridge, to Harry Clasper's boat-house, and to pull in Clasper's light handicap open sculler boats. The match has been pending for nearly one month, and about a week or so before the time specified for the race to take place, Armstrong was located at the Clasper Arms, under the care of the veteran Harry Sutherland, training at a noted house near Scotswood, and it must be said in compliment to the principals and their coadjutors, that they both appeared at the scratch in really good condition, and sure of the result. We understand the rivals' respective ages is somewhat about 20 years. Both are diminutive in stature, but apparently of a construction essential and necessary to all boat-rowers. The weather on the day of the race was of the most inclement nature. The rain descended with pitiless force, and the few spectators, probably more tempted to witness the race through necessity more than inclination, presented a half-drowned appearance, and your representative was not an exception. About 10.15 o'clock the lads put off for the start and without a single false go bolted on the best of terms at 10.22 exactly. The betting was entirely in favour of Sutherland, whose sweeping stroke tempted his friends to speculate at 6 to 4 freely. One steamboat attended, Mr. John Adams acting as referee. Armstrong won the toss, and took the inside or north position, Sutherland keeping well to the south. Immediately the start was effected the pair pulled most meritoriously for about 50 yards, when, if there was anything in it, Armstrong had the advantage by a few inches only. At double that distance, however, the non-favourite gradually assumed the lead, and at the Mill was in front by half a length. Certainly the advantage was only trifling, but of sufficient importance to turn the tide of betting materially. At this point Sutherland took an inferior course, he pulled completely into the centre of the river, while Armstrong kept his original position with some judgment. Nearing the Bottle House Quay Armstrong left his rival still further in the rear, and after this he worked so effectively that no less than four lengths divided them at the Skinner Burn. It is useless giving a detailed description of the dispute after this point, inasmuch as Sutherland was completely out-paced; he was last at the Middens by six lengths, at the high end of the Quay by ten lengths, and eventually lost a one-sided race by about 120 yards, a considerable distance in a match of little above one mile. The loser was much exhausted. Mr. John H. Clasper was umpire for Armstrong, and Mr. Steenson for Sutherland.

Aquatics and our Newcastle Correspondent.—As it has been rather insolently intimated by the confreres and supporters of Robert Cooper, the Redheugh sculler, that our representative in Newcastle is the writer of the communication which appeared in our last issue debating on the conduct of Cooper in connection with his late events with Chambers and J. Clasper, we desire, although contrary to the tariff of journalistic routine, to deny the impeachment. Our correspondent and Aquaticus are two distinct persons and no more related by the laws of affinity than we are to Cooper. Let this be understood, and on the next occasion let the saddle be put on the right horse, remembering also that prudence is nobler and sounds better than impudence—by a long way.

Tom King and May.—The whole of the stakes (£50) for the match between the ex-Champion, Tom King, and Edward May, of Lambeth, to row a right-away sculler race, from Putney to Mortlake, on Tuesday, November 1, with tide, has now been deposited. The match is creating a deal of interest, among turfmen especially. The Volunteer (Captain George Eyres) is engaged to accompany the race, and will leave Old Swan Pier at half-past one o'clock, calling at all intermediate piers up to Putney.

Lett and Lane.—This match is off, Lane forfeiting.

C. Lansley and T. Palmer, of the Electric Crew, will row Braham and Wood, of Pitt's Crew, a pair-oared race, from Battersea to Lambeth, or the Electric Crew will row Pitt's Four the same distance, and give twelve lengths in either race. Either or both matches can be made at Mr. Stebbing's Yorkshire Grey, Cheyne-walk, Chelsea.

James Everson will sail his skiff, the Erith, against T. Week's Twins, from Greenwich to Erith and back, with lugsail and foresail, for £1 or £5 a side. Everson is also open to back his skiff against J. Harvey's Puzzle.

W. Lane, of Westminster, will row Church, of Wapping, for £10 or £15 a side, in any boats he chooses; or he will row any waterman his own age (fifty-two), belonging to the river Thames, from Putney to Hammersmith, for £20 a side.

Heckmondwike Poultry Show.—The third great annual exhibition of poultry will be held in the new large room, at Mr. Samson Halliday's, the Wool Pack Inn, High-street, Heckmondwike, on Monday, the 26th of December, 1864.

EXTRA SWIMMING.

LONDON SWIMMING CLUB.

The London Swimming Club now undoubtedly occupies a proud position in the swimming world, and every month adds to its popularity and importance. It numbers among its members many of the best swimmers of the day, and the executive is ever ready to step forth and promote the art which, apart from its usefulness, is manly, exciting, and graceful. These columns have been open to a controversy on the merits of the London Swimming Club. We have been inundated with letters condemning the practice of the club in admitting those whose performances place them without the pale of amateur swimmers, and whose reputation may be considered professional. Convinced that if we gave these cavillers sufficient rope they would inevitably hang themselves, we allowed letter after letter to appear until the weakness of the enemy became thoroughly exposed. Attacking Gibraltar with forcemeat balls was nothing to the idiotic efforts of certain individuals who, from some mean motive or other, desired to injure this very admirable institution. Why a man who has competed for a money prize should be excluded from a club having at heart the welfare of swimming we cannot conceive. It is simply absurd to urge that he is not qualified to associate with the amateur proper. We know that none but the least more would dream of competing for the championship or for money, and that these men must have no local habitation seems to us an extreme hardship, and no better exposition of the errors could possibly be given than the proceedings at the Metropolitan Baths, Ashley-crescent, City-road, on Monday night, which was set apart for the last display of the season of the London Swimming Club.

On our arrival at the bath we at once saw that Mr. Wright, the energetic manager, had been doing a great many things, which facilitated the club very much, and tended to increase the comfort of the spectators. The members having voted Mr. A. Williamson referee and starter, that gentleman got on the board at about 7 o'clock to commence the sports for the evening, but we are bound to say that he received some valuable assistance from Mr. J. Latey, and other members of the club, whom we have always found willing to give their time, and in many cases money, to promote swimming. The first race of the evening was for boys under 16 years old who have never won a prize, distance two lengths, the bath being 100ft long, prize a silver medal. This never fails to bring a great number together, 16 entered for it, and they were divided into three heats, the first was won by Elliot, the second by Newbury, and the third by Cole, who ultimately won the final. The next a silver medal for amateurs who have never won a prize, distance four lengths. T. Donaldson won the first heat, J. Cole the second, third by Jones, Cole won the final easily. A silver medal for the third class members of the club, distance four lengths, this proved a most exciting race between G. Williamson, and W. Dabel, they going neck and neck all the way, and finished a dead heat. When they were called to swim off, Dabel did not answer to his name, although repeatedly called. G. Williamson went over the course, but the starter announced, as it was his brother, and to show he was not partial, he should swim Dabel for the same medal any time he wished. Now came the great race of the evening for an elegant gold necklet and locket (a sweetheart's prize) for open competition among amateurs who have never swam for money, distance 16 lengths; Pamplin, one of the fastest mile swimmers we have, and Carbonell, the well-known amateur, and winner of a great many prizes, dived at the word off. They went beautifully for about half the distance, when the latter for some reason cut it, leaving the former to finish at his leisure. The next heat contained Donovan, the fastest short distance swimmer that ever entered the water; Dawles, a well-known amateur; and Paton. They took the water well; but Donovan held his opponents very cheap, and won easily, although Dawles swam in a very pluckey manner. After a little while Donovan and Pamplin came to the scratch to swim off, but it soon became evident that the former was cutting the latter clean out of the race at every stroke, and the latter very soon pulled up, but it is only fair to state that he was not well; but our opinion is that he does not stand a ghost of a chance with Donovan in a bath, although he beat him a mile race in the Thames this Summer. A gold scarf-pin for professional members (bar Gurr, the 2-mile champion) distance 12 lengths; Williams, Jones, and Regan started, but the former soon found he had had enough; the other two went on very equal terms, and Jones won a very exciting race by a foot. A valuable silver Victoria medal for first-class amateur members, distance 12 lengths. Stuart and Horsman started for this race; they went well together for half the distance, when the latter suddenly came to a standstill, leaving the other to finish at his leisure. Messrs. Woodbridge, Moor (both one leg), and Howson went in and delighted the company with some graceful acts in floating; those that have never seen them have missed a treat. H. Gurr, the fastest swimmer of the day, and W. Payton were next announced to swim a friendly match of 12 lengths, which the company appreciated very much, after which the former went in as duck. This never fails to create a deal of laughter, besides, it shows a fine specimen of under-water swimming. During the evening Gurr showed his Two-mile Champion Cup, got up by the above Club, and Pamplin the Illustrated Sporting News Cup, which he won in a mile competition race in the Thames this Summer. They were both well received, as the applause showed. The evening closed by Mr. Williamson, on behalf of the club, presenting the prizes. We are instructed to say that the annual supper of this club will take place at their committee rooms, the Oporto Stores, Endell-street, Bloomsbury, on next Thursday evening, when they would be glad to see their friends, as it is not confined to members.

Next week we shall have something to say about the annual supper of the National Swimming Club.

E. B. Mather, who upheld the title of two-mile champion for some time, won the Liverpool Champion Cups, last Wednesday week, distance 240 yds.

LAMBETH BATHS.

Next Monday will be a grand night at the Lambeth Baths, all those that have never seen a swimming race we would advise them to go to this one, for in all probability it will be the last of the season. The Lambeth closes on this night. Race open to all England, a cup for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd man, presented by Mr. W. Price, of Hackney Wick. Race open to all England Amateurs: cup for 1st, 2nd and 3rd men, presented by Mr. J. Valentine. Hurdle race, open to all England, youths' under 16; cup for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd men, presented by a committee of gentlemen. During the evening Professor Beckwith and children will go through their graceful acts of natation.

BURGESS AND MARSH.

To the Editor of the "Illustrated Sporting News."

Sir,—I was somewhat surprised I must confess at Burgess's reply to my challenge to swim him for £5 a side, but as he does not now swim for money, being a member of an amatuer swimming club (I suppose he means to say by so doing he would be a professional swimmer at once) he comes to a rather hasty conclusion as to my intentions to swim him; but I am willing to swim him for a medal or cup as he suggests, and will call upon him on Monday next, and we can then, I have no doubt, arrange the preliminaries and deposit the medal or cup with you (to be given up to the winner) if you will be kind enough to take charge of the same.

I remain yours &c.

Alfred Marsh.

QUOITS.

Exciting Quoit Match at Fenham Park for £20.—On Monday afternoon a match came off in those grounds, which proved most interesting throughout the whole game: 101 shots up, 104 yards distance, the competitors being E. Rowell and R. Clement. Rowell is an old stager, and is considered one of the best at short distances; and the number of ringers he put on Monday proved he has not deteriorated in his playing. Clement is much younger, but by appearances—particularly his cool manner for a youth—he is destined to shine yet at quoits. Rowell got the first eight shots, when Clement got level. Rowell afterwards took the lead to the 28th shot, and afterwards added other 16, making 44 to Clement's 30. The game then stood Rowell 96, Clement 67, who throughout played so well, that at the finish, when Rowell reached his 101st, Clement had scored 98, so that Rowell only beat the young'un by 2 shots. Mr. Oldham was umpire.

EXTRA COURSING.

FROG HALL (BOSTON) COURSING MEETING.

Oct. 21.—Stewards, Messrs. John Jefferey, William Gant, John Hayes, and John Lupton; flag steward, Mr. Joseph Watson; judge, Mr. E. Spafford; slipper, John Clarke; secretary, Mr. W. Unthank.

This meeting took place on Friday on the farm of Mr. Robert Lee, in Wildmore Fen, Scrivelsby; and, barring a little drawback in the shape of a very hard ground, was entirely successful, there being all the ingredients to make a good meeting—first-class greyhounds, plenty of good strong hares, an efficient judge, a large and good-tempered number of spectators. Mr. Jeffrey, of Horncastle, has previously judged at Frog Hall; but this year it was resolved to secure the services of a regular public coursing judge, and the choice of the promoters fell on Mr. E. Spafford, of Boothby House, Lincoln, whose *prestige* is growing apace in the coursing world, and who acquitted himself to the entire satisfaction of all, the losers with one or two exceptions admitting the correctness of his decisions. True to old tradition—the meeting being invariably attended with rain—just as the last brace of dogs were in slips, a drenching shower fell, and a regular steeple-chase took place to gain the shelter of Mr. Lee's farm house and outbuilding. The coursing ordinary took place at the Black Horse, about seventy gentlemen dining. Dr. Roberk, of Coningsby, occupied the chair, faced by Mr. John Lee. The following is a return of the sport:—

The Frog Hall Cup, value of stake, £18.—First round: Mr. J. Richardson's Bendigo, pedigree unknown, beat Mr. Hattersley's Belle of the Village, by Mayor of Boston—Nancy; Mr. R. Creasey's Victress, by Spurgeon—Topsy beat Mr. R. Watson's Grasper, by Marquis—Fly; Mr. Bland's Mischief, by Marquis—Fly beat Mr. Crawley's r. d. March; Mr. Baxter's Rachel, by The Doctor—Jemima beat Mr. R. Smith's Rose, by Blucher—Nancy. Second round: Victress beat Bendigo; Mischief beat Rachel. Third round: Mr. Creasey's Victress beat Mr. Blandin's Mischief, and won the cup.

The Puppy Stakes, value £21.—First round: Mr. A. Ground's Garibaldi, by Flashman—Lovebird beat Mr. R. Smith's Miss Crinoline, by Benicia Boy—Violet; Mr. J Richardson's Sherry, by Mayor of Boston—Lucy beat Mr. J. Hayes's Ben Burst, by Grafton—Nancy Bartle; Mr. Norfolk's Tom King, by Benicia Boy—Violet beat Mr. Hibberton's Bonnie Boo, by Black Adder—Quipure; Mr. J. Hayes's Blair Athol, by Cantab—Queen beat Mr. Oliver's Seniore, by Effort—Sally Sykes; Mr. G. Jackson's Alice, by Barrister—Fan beat Mr. W. Ward's Wicked Lad, by Indus—Gipsy; Mr. Hibberton's Bacchus, by Cromwell—Curley Bell beat Mr. J. G. Oliver's Kettledrum, by Effort—Sally Sykes. Second round: Garibaldi beat Tom King; Sherry beat Blair Athol; Alice beat Bacchus. Third round: Sherry beat Alice; Garibaldi ran a bye. Deciding: Mr. Ground's Garibaldi and Mr. J. Richardson's Sherry divided the stake.

The Farmers' Stake.—First round: Mr. Watson's Grasper beat Mr. Hattersley's Belle of the Village; Mr. Watson's Smoker beat Mr. Coy's Princess Alexandra. Deciding: Grasper and Smoker divided.

The Wildmore Fen Stake.—First round: Mr. Ward's Wicked Lad beat Mr. Firth's Rocket; Mr. Frith's Dainty beat Mr. Oliver's Kettledrum. Second round: Dainty beat Kettledrum, and won.

Match.—Mr. Frith's Dainty, by Dart—Dainty beat Mr. Firth's Rocket, by Dart—Fly, and won.

NOTTINGHAM AND MIDLAND COURSING MEETING.

Second Day.—Wednesday.

The stakes left over from Tuesday, with three new four-dog stakes, were run off to-day, on the Bingham Lordship, and the whole of the courses were run through by half-past three in the afternoon:—The following is the result:—

The Chesterfield Cup.—First Ties: Mr. Bealby's Grimstone beat Mr. Burton's Mentor. Second Ties: Mr. Codling's Civil Sall beat Mr. Wheatcroft's Fawn, Mr. Brockton's Duce beat Mr. H. Taylor's Prescription, Mr. Bealby's Grimstone ran a bye. Third Ties: Mr. Codling's Civil Sall beat Mr. Bealby's Grimstone, Mr. Brockton's Duce ran a bye. Deciding Course: Mr. Codling's Civil Sall beat Mr. Brockton's Duce.

The Robin Hood Stakes.—Second Ties: Mr. White's Mango beat Sir R. J. Clifton's Blustering Railer, Mr. Nutt's Neutral, beat Mr. J. Burton's Blair Athol. Sir J. Clifton's Black Hawk ran a by. Third Ties: Mr. White's Mango ran a bye. Mr. Nutt's Neutral beat Sir R. J. Clifton's Black Hawk. Deciding Course: Mr. White's Mango, by Spring—Julia, beat Mr. Nutt's Duchess, by Bugle—Miss Frantic, and won.

The Maid Marian Stakes.—Second Ties: Mr. Shillcock's Susannah beat Mr. Leatbeater's Wideawake; Mr. Shillcock's Susan beat Mr. Crawley's My Own Blue Bell. Deciding Course: Mr. Shillcock's Susannah and Susan, by Brother to Derry—Sally of the Vale, divided the stakes.

The Stanhope Stakes.—1—Mr. Nutt's Nicholas Nickleby ran a bye; Mr. Leacroft's Light Guitar beat Lord Chesterfield's Bathilde. 2—Nicholas Nickleby beat Light Guitar and won.

The Nottingham Stakes.—1—Mr. Brockton's Nancy beat Mr. Lee's Spring; Mr. Leacroft's Leveret beat Mr. Burton's Born Drunk. 2—Nancy beat Leveret and won.

The Manor House Stakes.—1—Mr. Hall ns Lois beat Mr. Brockton's Blue Cap; Mr. Brockton's Rifleman beat Mr. Coleman ns Brigand. 2—Lois beat Rifleman and won.

NOTTINGHAM AND MIDLAND COURSING MEETING.

(Under the patronage of the Right Hon. the Earl of Chesterfield, and over his estate at Bingham.)

Tuesday, October 26.—The present season commencing in Notts was inaugurated to-day by the open meeting under the stewardship of the Earl of Chesterfield, the Marquis of Hastings, Sir R. J. Clifton, Bart., &c. The weather was fine, the sport good, first-class greyhounds, and plenty of strong hares. The coursing ordinary took place at night at the Chesterfield and Bingham, at which about fifty gentlemen were present. The following is a return of the sport:—

The Robin Hood Stakes for dog-puppies of 1863, £3 10s. each.—1—Captain Hemsley's Border Chief beat Mr. F. R. Leacroft's Light Guitar drawn (1); Sir R. J. Clifton ns Blustering Railer beat Mr. T. Bealby's Border Chief; Mr. J. B. Leadbeater's Lawless David beat Mr. W. Corbett's Bon; Mr. R. White's Mango beat Mr. T. Nutt's Nicholas Nickleby; Mr. J. B. Leadbeater's Lexicographer beat Mr. W. Higgin's Highland Chief; Mr. J. Buxton's Blair Athol beat Mr. G. Smith's Stonecock; Sir R. J. Clifton's Black Hawk beat Mr. Thorpe's Robin Hood; Mr. Keightley's King of the Fairies beat Mr. Smith's Storm Sky; Mr. Nutt's Neutral beat Mr. Corbett's Black Sak. 2—Blustering Railer beat Blaze of Light; Mango beat Lawless; Blair Athol beat Lexicographer; Black Hawk beat King of the Fairies; Neutral a bye.

The Maid Maria Stakes for bitch-puppies, 1863, £3 10s. each.—1—Mr. Daft's Bronze Star beat Mr. Carter's Secret Wizard; Mr. Shillcock's Susannah beat Mr. Storey's Bright Star; Mr. Smyth's Skittles beat Mr. Smith ns. The Bird; Mr. Leadbeater's Belle of the Ball beat Mr. Short's Maid Maria; Mr. Crawley's My Own Blue Bell beat Mr. Holton's Bright Star; Mr. Leadbeater's Wideawake beat Mr. Nutt's Duchess; Mr. Hoare's Black Witch beat Mr. Keightley's Kitty Flirt; Mr. Shillcock's Snow beat Earl of Chesterfield's Bathilde. 2—Susannah beat Bronze Star; Wideawake beat Skittles; My Own Blue Bell beat Belle of the Ball; Snow beat Black Witch.

Chesterfield Cup, all aged, £5 10s. each.—Mr. Crawley ns. Civil Sall beat Mr. Baldock's Caller Ou; Mr. Brockton's Nancy beat Mr. Collins' Aconite; Mr. Burton's Brown Duck beat Mr. Lee's Spring; Mr. Wheatcroft's Fan beat Mr. Reynolds' Hussie; Mr. Smith's Wee Nell beat Mr. Haden's Priscilla; Mr. Brockton's Duce beat Mr. Kitchen's Blue Boy; Mr. A. Taylor's Prescription beat Mr. Leacroft's Leveret; Mr. Richer's Buffer beat Earl of Chesterfield's Miriam; Mr. Bealby's Sinister beat Mr. Reynold's Swift; Mr. Burton's Mentor beat Mr. Bealby's Balsam. 2—Civil Sall beat Nancy; Fan beat Born Drunk; Duce beat Wee Nell; Prescription beat Buffer.

THE TURF.

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bad third. The winner was claimed by Mr. Brayley, and Lord Westmoreland claimed Orloff.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes of 25 sovs each, 10 ft, and only 5 if declared, with 100 added; winners extra; the second to receive 50 sovs; Cambridgeshire Course; 1 mile and 240 yards. 221 subs, 80 of whom pay 5 sovs each.

[The figures preceding the names correspond with the numbers on the card.]

27 Marquis's of Hastings Ackworth, by Fazzoletto—Consternation, 3 yrs, 7st ..... Cannon 1
19 Baron Rothschild's Tomato, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb ..... Maidmont 2
48 Mr. W. G. Bennett's c by Daniel O'Rourke—Highflyer's dam, 3 yrs, 6st ..... H. Sharp 3
1 Mr. Samuel's Twilight, aged, 8st 9lb (inc 3lb ex) ..... Withington 0
3 Count F. de Lagrange's Vivid, 4 yrs, 8st 2lb ..... J. Snowden 0
4 Mr. Launde's Miner, 3 yrs, 8st ..... Whiteley 0
5 Captain Lane's Blue Mantle, 4 yrs, 8st (inc 3lb ex) ..... J. Daley 0
6 Lord Strathmore's Saccharmeter, 4 yrs, 7st 13lb ..... T. French 0
7 Count F. de Lagrange's Gabrielle d'Estrees, 6 yrs, 7st 12lb ..... H. Grimshaw 0
8 Mr. G. Crook's Donnybrook, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb ..... Fordham 0
10 Mr. Wodson's Deerfoot, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb ..... Perry 0
11 Count Ratthyany's Prince Plausible, 6 yrs, 7st 8lb ..... Challoner 0
15 Mr. Bowes's Old Orange Girl, 4 yrs, 7st 8lb ..... E. Martin 0
16 Sir Hedes Vere's Taje, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb ..... Prior 0
17 Lord Stamford's Brick, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb ..... Edwards 0
18 Lord Westmoreland's Birch Broom, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb ..... Morgan 0
52 Mr. W. Robinson's Battaglia, 3 yrs, 8st 7lb ..... Heartfield 0
54 Mr. Savile's Alabama, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb ..... Barlow 0
20 Mr. J. G. Blake's Lenora, 5 yrs, 7st 4lb ..... Kelly 0
21 Mr. R. Drewitt's Accident, 4 yrs, 7st 4lb ..... Hibberd 0
24 Lord Westmoreland's Tattoo, 6 yrs, 7st 2lb ..... Flemington 0
26 Lord Bateman's Queen of Trumps, 5 yrs, 7st ..... Tomlinson 0
29 Mr. J. Wood's Rose, 3 yrs, 6st 13lb ..... Jarvis 0
30 Mr. R. Sutton's Skeffington, 3 yrs, 6st 12lb ..... Doolan 0
31 Mr. Wallace's Golden Drop, 4 yrs, 6st 12lb ..... Batton 0
32 Mr. W. Day's Muezzin, 4 yrs, 6st 11lb ..... J. Phillips 0
33 Lord Wilton's Stockinger, 5 yrs, 6st 10lb ..... Loates 0
34 Mr. W. Day's Mail Train, 3 yrs, 6st 10lb ..... Matthews 0
36 Duke de Morny's Bayard, 3 yrs, 6st 10lb ..... Watkins 0
38 Mr. Craven's Planet, 3 yrs, 6st 9lb ..... Carroll 0
39 Mr. Hodgman's Valiant, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb ..... Morris 0
40 Mr. G. W. Fitzwilliam's Myrtle, 6 yrs, 6st 7lb ..... Murfet 0
41 Mr. W. Robinson's Gratitude, 4 yrs, 6st 7lb ..... H. Covey 0
42 Mr. Godding's Fanfreluche, 4 yrs, 6st 6lb ..... S. Mordan 0
43 Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Canzonette, 4 yrs, 6st 6lb ..... G. Sayers 0
45 Mr. T. Wiseman's Mrs. Somerville, 4 yrs, 6st 4lb ..... Crawshaw 0
47 Sir J. Hawley's Columba, 4 yrs, 6st 3lb ..... C. Morgan 0
49 Mr. E. W. Watson's Columbia, 4 yrs, 6st ..... J. Grimshaw 0

Betting: 100 to 30 agst Stockinger, 5 to 1 agst Gratitude, 6 to 1 agst Brick, 10 to 1 agst Columbia, 100 to 8 each agst Saccharometer and Highflyer's dam colt, 100 to 7 agst Ackworth, 100 to 6 agst Prince Plausible, 33 to 1 each agst Birch Broom, Tattoo, and Muezzin, 40 to 1 each agst Donnybrook and Queen of Trumps, 50 to 1 each agst Planet and Skeffington, 1,000 to 15 each agst Bayard, Leonora, and Deerfoot, and 100 to 1 each agst Fanfreluche, Sage, Myrtle, Tomato, and Battaglia. An hour at the post was wasted in thirteen false starts, Skeffington, Blue Mantle, Brick, Muezzin, Leonora, Myrtle, Canzonette, Fanfreluche, Tattoo, Battaglia, Mail Train, Miner, Gratitude, the Highflyer's dam colt, Rose, and one or two others being the most prominent of those who continually broke away. At seventeen minutes past two o'clock—one hour and two minutes beyond the appointed hour—they were cleverly started, Columbia, Brick, Vivid, Canzonette, Saccharometer, and Queen of Trumps, being the first off, but upon settling into places, Saccharometer appeared in front, attended on either side by Blue Mantle, Stockinger, Columbia, and Queen of Trumps. After passing the New Stand, Blue Mantle headed Saccharometer, and in close proximity were Canzonette and Planet on the left, whilst Fanfreluche, Columbia, Birch-Broom, Bayard, Vivid, and Brick were on the top side. In the upper ground, in a line to himself, clear of everything, lying formidable, was Skeffington, and at the site of the Old Duke's Stand, William Day's two, on the lower ground, were in prominent positions. A quarter of a mile from home, the line of horses stretched across the course was broken, and Gratitude appeared in front, with Columbia, Vivid, Ackworth, Tomato, and the Highflyer's dam colt at her quarters; whilst Skeffington, on the upper ground, was the only other apparently in the race. Within the cords, Gratitude gave way, and a distance from home, Ackworth, with Tomato on his heels, came away from the rest, and, after a brilliant finish, the Marquis of Hastings' "gelding" won by a head; the Highflyer's dam colt beaten three lengths from the Brown filly. Columbia was fourth, Gratitude, fifth, and next to her were Vivid, Twilight, and Skeffington, the last but being thick (beaten before he had gone half a mile). Canzonette, Mrs. Somerville, Golden Drop, Accident, Tajo, and Queen of Trumps. *Nett value of the stakes, £2,445.*

A Selling Handicap Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, 17 ft, for 3-year-olds and upwards; the winner to be sold for 200 sovs, if demanded, &c.; R.M. (1 mile 17 yards.) 6 subs.

Lord Claremont's Troublesome, by Hobble Nobble—Testy, 5 yrs, 8st ..... Kelly 1
Colonel Martyn's Oberon, 3 yrs, 7st 12lb ..... Morgan 2
Mr. Astley's Overstone, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb ..... H. Grimshaw 3
Mr. Ten Broeck's Peignoir, 5 yrs, 8st 5lb ..... J. Snowden 0
Mr. Saxon's Zara, 4 yrs, 8st ..... J. Grimshaw 0

Betting: 3 to 1 each agst Peignoir and Troublesome, and 4 to 1 agst Oberon. Won by three length; a bad third. The winner was claimed by Colonel Martyn.

Fifty Pounds; 3-year olds, 7st 11lb; four, 8st 10lb; five, six, and aged, 8 st 13lb; maidens allowed 7lb; entrance, 3 sovs.; R.M. (mile 17 yards.)

Baron Rothschild's Hippolyta, by King Tom—Daughter of Toscar, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb ..... Daley 1
Sir F. Johnstone's Johnny Armstrong, 5 yrs, 8st 13lb ..... J. Goater 2
Mr. Longfield's Gem of the Sea, 4 yrs, 8st ..... Custance 3
Mr. Cherry's Handley Cross, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb ..... J. Grimshaw 0
Mr. Merry's Sir Roger, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb ..... H. Covey 0
Mr. Taylor's Maharajah, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb (car. 8st 5lb) ..... Norman 0
Mr. G. Bryan's Lady Hilda, 3 yrs, 7st 11lb ..... Lynch 0

Betting: 6 to 4 on Hippolyta, and 6 to 1 (offered) agst any other. Won by two lengths, a bad third.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, for 3-year-olds and upwards; T.Y.C. (5 fur. 140 yards.)

Mr. Alexander's Peon, by Alarm—Repentance, 3 yrs, 7st 4lb ..... Woodhouse 1
Mr. Craven's Almack, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb ..... T. French 2
Mr. Hodgman's Hawkshaw, 3 yrs, 6st 10lb ..... Morris 3
Mr. Merry's Crisis, 3 yrs, 8st ..... H. Covey 0
Mr. C. P. Hudson's Wolloon, 6 yrs, 8st ..... J. Goater 0
Mr. W. S. Crawford's h by Stockwell—Crochet, 5 yrs, 8st 4lb ..... H. Grimshaw 0
Mr. Sidney's Chiequot, the Jester, 3 yrs, 6st ..... Kay 0

Betting: 7 to 4 agst Peon, 5 to 2 agst Almack, 6 to 1 agst Crisis, and 10 to 1 bar three. Won by two lengths; a length separating second and third, and Crisis a bad fourth.

A Free Handicap Sweepstakes of 30 sovs each, 20 ft, for 3-yr-olds and upwards; winners extra; T.Y.C. (5 fur. 140 yards). Five subs.

Duke of Beaufort's Crytheia, by Hesperus—Palma, 3 yrs, 7st 12lb ..... Fordham 1
Mr. Wood's Rose, 3 yrs, 8st 4lb ..... J. Grimshaw 2
Mr. Nelson's Gamecock, 6 yrs, 8st 5lb ..... Covey 3
Mr. Trench's Nebula, 4 yrs, 8st 5lb ..... Challoner 0
Mr. Kelly's Hesper, 6 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... Custance 0

Betting: 7 to 4 agst Crytheia, 100 to 30 agst Gamecock, 4 to 1 agst Rose, and 6 to 1 agst Nebula. Won, after a good race, by a short head; a bad third.

The Optional Selling Stakes of 5 sovs each, with 25 added, for 2-yr-olds; colts, 8st 12lb; fillies, 8st 8lb. The winner to be sold for 200 sovs; if entered to be sold for 200 sovs allowed 5lb; if 150 sovs, 10lb: if for 100 sovs, 16lb; if for 60 sovs, 21lb. T.Y.C. (5 fur 140 yds). Nine subs.

Mr. G. Crook's Brown Willie, by Wild Dayrell—Bess Lyon, 7st 5lb (£60) ..... E. Taylor 1
Lord Uxbridge's Herschel, 7st 5lb (£60) ..... Morris 2
Mr. Seymour's Bessy, 7st 11lb (£60) ..... H. Covey 3
Baron de Mesnil's Gadmersham, 8st 2lb (£150) ..... James 0
Mr. P. Price's Salliet, 7st 11lb (£60) ..... Prior 0
Mr. Hughes's Juneaton, 7st 8lb (£60) ..... Sayers 0
General Angerstein's Ninetta, 7st 11lb (£60) ..... J. Grimshaw 0
Mr. Jackson's Incision, 7st 11lb (£60) ..... Cannon 0
Mr. J. Day's Lord Ronald, 7st 8lb (£60) ..... Challoner 0

Betting: 7 to 4 agst Incision, and 6 to 1 agst Brown Willie. Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. The winner was won by Lord Uxbridge, and Mr. Seymour claimed Incision.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of 50 sovs each, 10 ft, two and three-yr-olds. T.Y.C. Sixteen subs.

Mr. Bone's Coup d'Etat, by Leamington—Ursuline, 3 yrs, 8st 8lb ..... A. Woodhouse 1
Mr. Jackson's Sidewind, 2yrs, 7st 2lb ..... Carroll 2
Mr. Craven's Provisor, 2 yrs, 7st 2lb ..... Loates 3
Lord Bateman's Moulsey, 3 yrs, 9st ..... Challoner 0
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Dawdle, 3 yrs, 8st ..... Fordham 0
Mr. Saxon's Idle Girl, 3 yrs, 7st 9lb ..... J. Grimshaw 0
Mr. Woodson's Athelstane, 2 yrs, 7st 7lb ..... Hibbert 0
Mr. Croyden's Idumea, 3 yrs, 7st 4lb ..... H. Covey 0
Lord Beadlesham's Black Duchess, 2 yrs, 7st 2lb ..... Maidmont 0
Mr. Hodgman's Verdant, 2 yrs, 6st 10lb ..... Morris 0
Mr. Whittaker's f by Russborough—Pinch, 2 yrs, 6st 6lb ..... Cranshaw 0
Prince D. Soltykoff's Kathleen, 2 yrs, 6st 5lb ..... Elphick 0

Betting: 6 to 4 on Coup d'Etat, and 5 to 1 agst Provisor. Won by two lengths; a length and a half between second and third.

The Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, T.Y.C. (set on the card at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock), was postponed on account of darkness coming on.

HOUGHTON SCRATCHINGS.

The following were returned as scratched on Monday night from Newmarket:—Cambridgeshire.—Sommise, Filbrunner, Carisbrook, Umpire, Comme-ca, Melrose, The Clown, King George, Double X, Charlemagne, Castle Hill, Tool-Too, Suspicion, Castle, Espie, Danaus, Ethelred, Evelina, The Beadle, Beatrice, Rambler, Trap, The Giant, Gemma, Merry Hero, Sunspade, Armagnac, Tommy Jones, Baldwin, Crochet horse, Charming Woman, Peon, Signalman, Jessie, Raglan, Erin-go-Bragh, and Narbonne.

All-aged Stakes.—All have paid forfeit but the following:—Lord Burleigh, Fairwater, Exchequer, and Argonaut.

WEDNESDAY.

The quiet in racing circles which follows the decision of a great event, anticipated with such anxiety as the Cambridgeshire, was highly appreciated, and produced a refreshing reaction in the minds of all those who had been in a perpetual state of excitement since the "Cesarewitch" week. The Rooms last night were not thinly attended, and not a betting transaction came under our notice; the only topic of conversation was the running of the various favourites in the Cambridgeshire and other features of the race. It would have been a rare turn up for the bookmakers had Tomato won, and the success of Baron Rothschild would have been gratifying to all, he being an upright and honourable sportsman, and a great benefactor to Newmarket.

Settling was carried on in front of the Rooms this morning, money being so plentiful that a satisfactory settlement is certain. The card to-day was numerically very strong, fifteen events being set for decision, but the character of the racing was mediocre in the extreme. Seven matches, most of them with moderate animals, and eight paltry sweepstakes and plates, making up a list of sport unredeemed by a single feature of public interest, and at any other place but Newmarket it would not have mattered a straw whether anyone came to witness the "sport." The results of the running below will sufficiently indicate the correctness of our remarks.

Optional Selling Plate of 50 sovs for 3-yr-olds and upwards; the winner to be sold for 200 sovs; if for less, allowances. Cambridgeshire Course, 1 mile 240 yards.

Lord Uxbridge's Rattler, by Rattle—Violante, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb (£50) ..... Sayers 1
Colonel Martyn's Oberon, 3yrs, 6st 7lb (£50) ..... Morris 2
Mr. Handley's Wangle Eye, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb (£50) ..... Kenyon 3
Mr. J. Osborne's Lyra, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb (£50) ..... Carroll 0
Mr. W. Robinson's Harvest Moon, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb (car. 7st 8lb) (£50) ..... G. Noble 0
Mr. T. B. Finn's Exquisite, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb (£50) ..... Lynch 0
Mr. Bone's Lobelia, 3yrs, 7st 5lb (£200) ..... Bradford 0
Mr. Johnson's Potash, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb (£50) ..... Bolton 0
Mr. T. Parr's Blondin, 4 yrs, 8st 5lb (£200) ..... Hesloop 0

Betting: 6 to 4 agst Oberon, 5 to 1 agst Blondin, 6 to 1 each agst Lyra and Rattler.

Lyra made the running, closely attended by Wangle Eye, Rattler, and Oberon to the cords, where Oberon and Rattler went to the front and raced together to within a short distance of home, Rattler drawing away and winning by three lengths; Wangle Eye was a bad third; the others passing the post in struggling order. Blondin walked in lame. The winner was claimed by Colonel Martyn, Oberon by Mr. Handley, and Wangle Eye by Mr. W. Robinson.

Fifty Pound Plate, for 3-yr-olds and upwards; penalties and allowances. A.F., 1 mile 2 fur. 73 yards.

Baron Rothschild's Hippolyta, by King Tom—Daughter of the Star, 3-yrs, 7st 10lb ..... J. Daley w.o.

Renewal of the Glasgow Stakes of 100 sovs each, h ft, for 2-yr-old colts 8st 10lb. Last three-quarters of R.M. 8 subs.

Mr. Watts's Olmar, by Saunterer—Birthday, by Assault, 8st 10lb ..... J. Snowden 1
Sir R. W. Bulkeley's Don Basilio, 8st 10lb ..... W. Boyce 2

Betting: 6 to 1 on Olmar, who made all the running, and won a good race by half a length.

Match, 200 sovs, h ft. Ab. M., 7 fur. 212 yards.

Lord Westmoreland's Birch Broom, by Idle Boy—Bavaria, 3-yrs, 8st 7lb ..... Fordham 1
Lord Glasgow's Rapid Rhone, 4-yrs, 8st 12lb ..... Wells 2

Betting: 11 to 8 on Birch Broom.

Rapid Rhone came with a slight lead to the bushes, where Birch Broom closed with him, and won easily by a neck.

Match, 100 sovs, h ft. Last half of Ab. Mile, 3 fur 217 yards.

Marquis of Hastings's Catalogue, by Lymington—Eclogue, 2-yrs, 8st 3lb ..... Fordham 1
Mr. John Dawson's Money Spinner, 2-yrs, 8st 7lb ..... Custance 2

Betting: 6 to 4 on Money Spinner, who made play for about half the distance, when Catalogue took up the running and won easily by two lengths.

Match, 200 sovs, h ft. Last three fur of Ab. Mile.

Mr. Jackson's Jupiter, by Weatherbit—Athena Pallas, 2 yrs, 8st 2lb ..... Doyle 1
Mr. Watson's Foxholes, 2 yrs, 8st 9lb ..... Witherington 2

Betting: 2 to 1 on Foxholes.

Jupiter made all the running, and won by three quarters of a length.

Sweepstakes of 50 sovs each, h ft, for 2-yr-olds; colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 8lb winners extra. D.M., 7 fur 210 yards.

Duke of Beaufort's Kosing, by Trumpeter—May Day, 9st 11lb (inc 5lb ex) ..... Fordham w.o.

Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, for 3-yrs-old and upwards; the winner to be sold for 80 sovs, if demanded. T.Y.C., 5 fur 140 yards. 6 subs.

Mr. Beadman's Rubini, by Ruby—Anxiety, 4-yrs, 8st 10lb ..... J. Daley 1
Sir J. Hawley's Washington, 3-yrs, 8st 2lb ..... Fordham 2

Betting: 4 to 1 on Washington, who made the running until entering the cords, when Rubini headed him, and won by a length.

The winner was claimed by Sir J. Hawley.

Match, 100 sovs, h ft. T.Y.C., 5 fur 140 yards.

Lord Westmoreland's Brahma, by Lumbton Christabelle, 2-yrs, 8st 10lb ..... Fordham 1
Lord Glasgow's Sister to Ascham, 2-yrs, 8st 7lb ..... Wells 2

Betting: 4 to 1 on Brahma, who made play with a clear lead, and won by three lengths.

Match, 100 sovs, h ft. T.Y.C., 5 fur 140 yards.

Mr. Elphinstone's Lady Valentine, by Sedbury, dam by Weatherbit—St. Anne, 2 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... Fordham 1
Lord Uxbridge's Arkansas, 2 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... S. Rogers 2

Betting: 100 to 30 on Arkansas, who took up the running immediately after the start, and carried it on to the cords, where Lady Valentine joined issue, and, after a good race, won by a neck.

Match, 100 sovs, h ft. Last 5 fur of T.Y.C.

Lord Uxbridge's Cadeau, by Chevalier de l'Industrie—Lizzie, 4 yrs, 8st ..... T. French 1
Mr. Elphinstone's Zora, 6 yrs, 8st 6lb ..... Fordham 2

Betting: 2 to 1 on Cadeau, who made all the running, and won by three parts of a length.

Subscription Plate of 50 sovs for 2 and 3-yr-olds; the winner to be sold for £350 if demanded. T.Y.C., 5 fur 140 yds.

Mr. Johnson's Eltham, by Marsyas—Butterfly, 2 yrs, 7st ..... Grimshaw 1
Mr. W. Robinson's c by Hobble Noble—Yarra-Yarra, 2 yrs, 7st ..... Loates 2

Betting: 100 to 30 agst Eltham, Mr. Kent, jun., the Yarra-Yarra colt, and the Marquis of Hastings's No Name.

A Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, for 2-yr-olds; colts, 8st 10lb; fillies, 8st 7lb; the winner to be sold for 70 sovs. T.Y.C., 5 fur. 140 yards. 8 subs.

Captain Machell's Connection, by Ethelbert—My Niece ..... A. Edwards 1
Mr. Payne's Merry Harp ..... H. Grimshaw 2
Mr. C. Walker's c by Leamington—Frangipani ..... J. Snowden 3
Mr. Godding's f by Ivo Clare—Jetty Treffa ..... A. Woodhouse 0
Mr. W. Robinson's f by Weatherbit—Fanfaronade ..... G. Noble 0
Sir J. Hawley's Sans Mes ..... Wells 0
Mr. Rigby's Hawkstone ..... J. Mann 0
Mr. G. Angell's Ethel ..... Perry 0

Betting: 6 to 4 agst the Frangipani colt, 7 to 4 agst Connection, 10 to 1 agst Merry Harp, 100 to 8 "bar three."

Connection made play for a short distance, but being pulled back the Frangipani colt, and Merry Harp ran side by side with Connection, Sans Mes being close behind; at entering the cords Connection went to the front, and won by a length up; on entering the cords Connection went to the front, and won by a length and a half; half a length separated second and third; Ethel fourth, and the Frangipani colt fifth. Connection was claimed by Mr. Payne.

Sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, for all ages; the winner to be sold for £250 if demanded. T.Y.C., 5 fur. 140 yards. 7 subs.

Lord Stamford's Gownsman, by Surplice—Tomyris, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... A. Edwards 1
Mr. W. Morris's Antidote, 4 yrs, 9st 11lb ..... Custance 2
Mr. G. Bryan's Well-and-5 yrs, 9st 4lb ..... Fordham 4
Lord Westmoreland's Echo, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... H. Grimshaw 5
Mr. T. Cliff's Seaboy, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb ..... H. Grimshaw 5

Betting: 5 to 4 on Antidote, 100 to 30 agst Echo, 5 to 1 agst Gownsman.

Antidote came on in front to the cords, where Gownsman made play, and won easily by two lengths; Welland a bad third.

Match, 100 sovs, 25 feet. First half Ab mile, 3 fur, 215 yds.

Lord Coventry's Prosperity, by Ethelbert—Production, 2 yrs, 7st 12lb ..... J. Grimshaw 1
Mr. Trench's Nebula, 4 yrs, 9st ..... Challoner 2

Betting: 13 to 8 on Prosperity, who won by a length and a half.

LATEST BETTING ON THE COURSE.

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25 to 1 agst Chattanoga (t).

RACING IN FRANCE.

VINCENNES STEEPLE CHASES.

The first day of this meeting was held on Sunday last, and the weather was very unfavourable, rain falling all the time. The sport requires no further comment than that which is found below, beyond that in the first race M. Forcinal's Casse-Noisette in crossing the Irish bank pitched on his head, and broke his neck; the jockey escaped unhurt, but the horse died shortly afterwards.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23.

The Prix de la Pyramide of 160 sovs (of which the second to receive 32 sovs and the third 8 sovs); for all horses bred in France, ridden by French jockeys; about three miles and a half. 12 subs.

Baron de Herissem's Forcinal's two, 11st 4lb ..... M. de St. Germain 1
Comte de Gonidec's Giralda, 4 yrs, 10st 12lb ..... M. de Terves 2
M. de Pierre's Brionne, 4 yrs, 11st ..... Falaise 3
Comte le Gonidec's White Nose, 4 yrs, 9st 8lb ..... Renaud 0
M. Lavignac's Emule, 4 yrs, 10st 3lb ..... Borda 0
Baron de Kalkbrenner's Noun, 5 yrs, 11st 11lb ..... Rousseau 0
M. Forcinal's Brutus, 4 yrs, 10st 3lb ..... Francois 0
M. Forcinal's Casse-Noisette, 4 yrs, 10 st 3lb ..... Bire fell

Betting: 2 to 1 agst M. Forcinal's two, 3 to 1 agst Brionne, 6 to 1 agst Despote, 8 to 1 agst Giralda and 10 to 1 agst Emule. Giralda made the running, with Emule, Despote, and Brionne following close up, White Nose last. Noun and Casse-Noisette fell at the Irish bank. The former was remounted, and continued the race, but Casse-Noisette had broken his neck, and expired shortly after. After passing the plantation, Despote gained the lead, and on passing Fort Gravelle was half a dozen lengths ahead of Giralda, with the latter twice the distance in advance of Brionne. This order was maintained to the finish, the horses coming in at the intervals above mentioned, with Emule fourth, and Brutus fifth.

The Prix du Chene Saint Louis (Handicap) of 240 sovs; gentlemen riders; the second to receive 32 sovs, about three miles and three-quarters. 16 subs.

Baron Finot's Valentino, 4 yrs, 12st 8lb ..... M. de St. Germain 1
Mr. Hannan's Georgie, 6 yrs, 11st 4lb ..... Captain Hunt 2
M. Volsin's Le Vidame, aged, 11st ..... Mr. Power 3
Mr. Ros's Newcastle, aged, 11st 13lb ..... Owner 0
M. de Terves's La Chatte, 6 yrs, 11st ..... Owner 0
Baron de Herissem's Georgie, 4 yrs, 10st 12lb ..... M. Ortegat 0
Baron de Herrissem's Victot-Pontfol, 4 yrs, 10st 12lb ..... M. Couturier 0

Betting: 5 to 2 agst Le Vidame, 4 to 1 agst Valentino, and 5 to 1 each agst Farintosh, Georgie, and Victot-Pontfol. Farintosh and Valentino led at starting, and ran in front for about a mile, when Georgie, Victot-Pontfol, La Chatte, and Newcastle refused, and were pulled up before going over the last mile, and Vidame followed far behind the two leaders. Farintosh ran a couple of lengths in advance of Valentino until within half a mile of home, when Baron Finot's horse went to the front and won by about ten lengths. Le Vidame was a long distance behind Farintosh.

The Prix de l'Administration des Haras of 200 sovs, for horses of all countries five years old and upwards; the second to receive 40 sovs; about three miles and three-quarters. 5 subs.

Mr. Ros's Vixen, aged, 12st 10lb ..... Owner 1
M. Lavignac's Magenta, 5 yrs, 12st 10lb ..... Quinton 2
Viscount Talon's Campeador, aged, 11st 13lb ..... Owner 3

Betting: Even agst Vixen, and 6 to 4 agst Magenta. The three were well together round the short course. Crossing the Irish bank the second time, Magenta threw his rider, but was again mounted, and Campeador swerved aside and lost ground. Vixen in the meantime had gained a long lead, and came in a winner by a bout 100 yards. Magenta beat Campeador for second by a couple of lengths.

Maisons Lafitte Steeple Chases.—The following is a summary of this meeting, which took place on October 20:—A Free Handicap of 2,000f, 200f entry.—Baron de Molembain's Piggy Wiggy, first; Malmaison, second. Seven ran. French, who rode Benedict, fell, breaking his collar-bone. A Hunt Steeple Chase, for 500f; gentlemen riders.—M. Delchet's Satanston (Comte d'Evry), first; Miss Georgina, second. Four ran. Vicomte de Merlemont's Miss Margaret, mounted by her owner, fell at the last fence and rolled on her rider; he, however, escaped without serious injury. A Selling Race, for 1,000f.—M. Gougeon's Ringleader, first; Printanier, second.

Old Orange Girl.—This mare will be put to the stud next season.

Liverpool Spring Meeting will take place on March 7 and 8, 1865.

Chester Races, 1865.—This meeting has been fixed to commence on May 9.

Mr. Naylor's two year old colt Skirter, by Skirmisher, out of Mangaroo, died on Saturday last from inflammation.

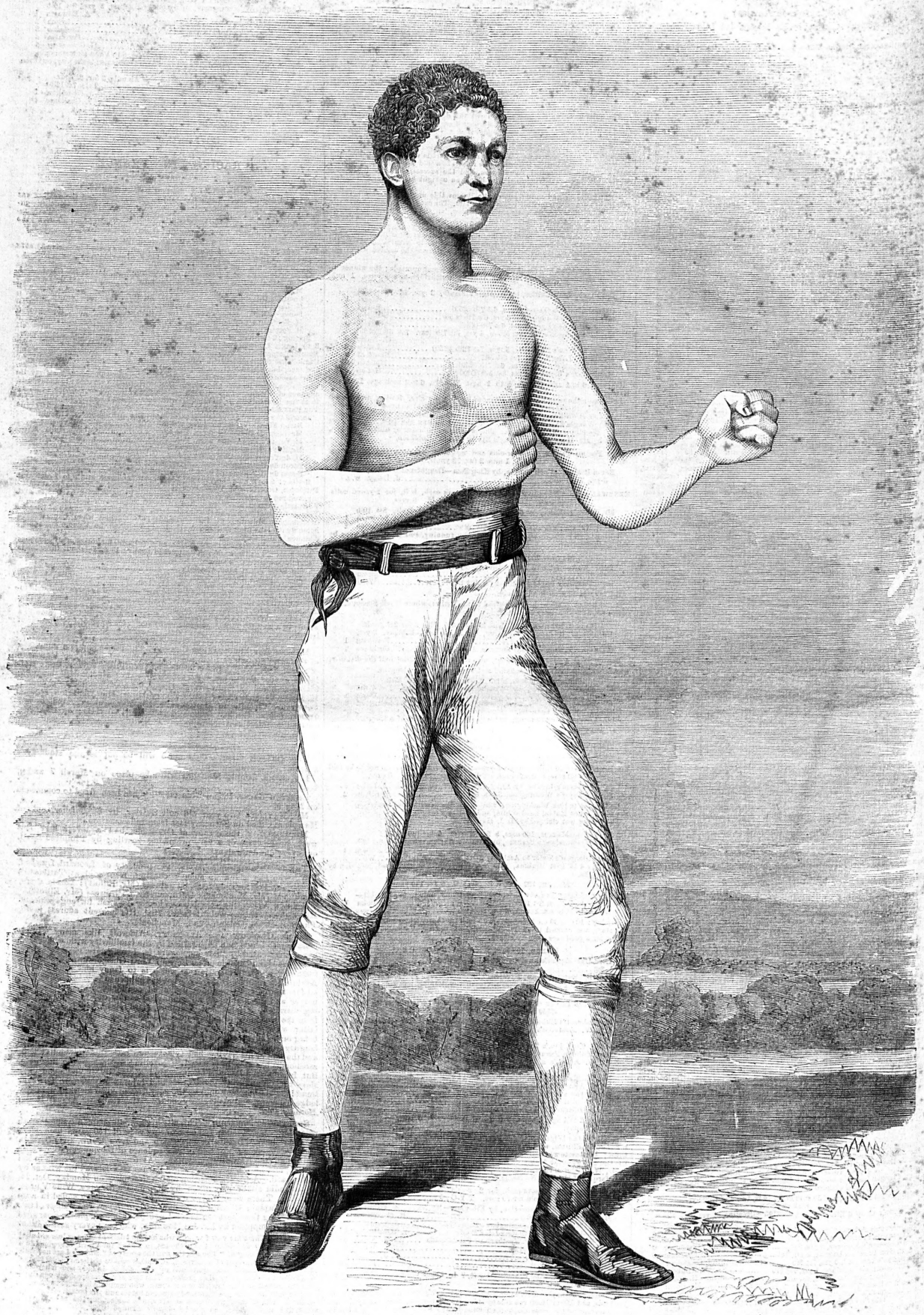
Mr. Robinson, the owner of Gratitude, had a severe loss last week, in the death of a very promising yearling by Promised Land, out of Goldfinder's dam.

The following steeplechasers, the property of Leonard Lywood, Esq., who has given up steeple chasing, were sold at Tattersall's on Monday last:—True Lass, 80 guineas (Mr. Elliott); Lassie, 6 yrs, 70 guineas (Mr. Mortimer); Chronometer, 66 guineas (Mr. Elliott).

George Atkin, the steeplechase jockey, is open for engagements. His lightest riding weight is 9st 7lb. His present address is 43, Thomson-street, Oldham-road, Manchester.

In re Glasgow and Aldcroft.—Aldcroft, like many of his class whose heads had been turned by the familiarity with which they have been treated by their employers, is, I am aware, no Solon; but, to suppose him capable of pulling up Lord Glasgow's filly within a fortnight of his restoration to office is to fancy him fit for "the Asylum for Idiots." However, what has happened is, I have no doubt, all for the best, as, without unlimited confidence between the employer and the employed, no connection can be of a pleasant or lasting character. Henceforth, therefore, Lord Glasgow will be relieved from the nuisance of anonymous letters about his jockey, and the latter, when he dismounts, will be able to do so without the idea being entertained that he did not do justice to his employers. Strong language has been indulged in against Lord Glasgow in some quarters, and the fact of his having had twenty-one trainers since he has kept racehorses has also been paraded as telling against him in this case. But, from what I know of his lordship individually, if you could only show to him and convince him he had injured any person, however humble in station, he would be the very first to come forward, acknowledge his error, and make every compensation for it.—"Argus" in the *Morning Post.*

Sporting at Norwich.—This city is very dull, scarce anything worth recording. On Monday last an exciting race of 100 yards took place between Richard Barnes, of Pockthorp, and John Alonia, of Barney. Considerable delay occurred in consequence of Barney running a mile and a half in the wrong direction. At 5 p.m. the men came to the scratch, and after a severe struggle Barnes was delared the winner by half a yard. A pigeon shooting match took place on Monday, Oct. 24, for a slendid silver cup, given by Mr. James Savage, Wine Vaults, St. Giles. There were twelve competitors. The match ended in a tie between Captain Chomonley and Mr. John Sayer, Naturalists of this city. During the afternoon several sweepstakes took place. Sparrows and pigeons supplied by Mr. Joe Manning, who gave every satisfaction.



ALEC KEENE, THE FAMOUS PUGILIST, IN FIGHTING COSTUME.

(From a Lithograph, published by Himself.)

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

John Harrington.—We this week give a portrait of Harrington. In the Ring, of late years, it will be known that Young Harrington, as he was called, apart from his capabilities, was one of the most respected among the respectable. His contests with Norton, Lynch, Morris, Roberts are well known. But Jack Harrington is dead, and it is with sorrow that we announce that fact. It is pleasing to observe that, as far as worldly aid and human help went, John Harrington had the best. When it was hoped that a little retirement would again bring him forth, the kind-hearted Jemmy Welsh did not forsake the poor lad, and in his hour of dark need and necessity Mr. Fred Chandler gave his good aid.

Regent Music Hall.—This hall is far removed from any similar place of entertainment, and is large, well-ventilated, and elegant in its embellishments. It is approached by a spacious entrance-hall, decorated with columns, &c., of the Corinthian order, and leading to a wide stone staircase. This staircase leads to a vestibule decorated with pilasters, their inter-arches and entablature enriched with festoons, highly ornamented dome, and spandrils. From this vestibule, by means of a flight of stone steps, we arrive at the balconies of the great hall. It also affords the means of approach to the manager's apartments, situate over entrance-hall. Pursuing our course onwards to the hall from this vestibule, we enter the ante-room or crush-room, which is of ample dimensions and beautifully decorated with enriched pilasters, spandrils, entablature, &c., charged with musical and other appropriate emblematical devices; looking-glasses, &c., artistically placed, magnify the variety of the scene, and gives it an air of enchantment. Adjoining the ante-room is the waiters' room, with lifts from the kitchen department, which is constructed beneath the ante-room. We now enter the great hall. The dimensions of this magnificent building are as follow: Length, 106 feet; width, 46 feet; and height, 46 feet. These dimensions are in the clear of the wall. The stage is 30 feet wide and 22 feet deep; it is somewhat lower than most stages, and is brought out further into the hall, and the footlights are sunk, thereby preventing any obstruction to the view. Three sides of the hall are surrounded by balconies, supported on slender iron columns, that at the extremity opposite the stage being of unusual depth. The ends of the hall represent deep shell-shaped recesses, which contribute greatly to its acoustic properties. The ceiling, which possesses the merit of originality of construction as well as elegance of design, is coved from the horizontal position of it, having five lunette openings on each side for light and ventilation, also five spacious fluted and enriched domes of oval shape. At the summit of each is fixed a sun-light, which effects the two-fold object of lighting the hall with great brilliancy and also rarifies the upper strata of air with an upward draught from the glass louvres in the lunette openings, ensuring a pleasant temperature at all times. The great arch of the proscenium is enriched with horns of plenty filled with fruit and flowers, and its centre is formed with figures of "Night" and "Morning;" in the centre of a shield is the architect's monogram. The arch itself terminates on the entablature with rich terminals and shields containing the proprietor's monogram. The lower part of the recess of the proscenium is enriched with columns and pilasters of a composed order, and in niches (right and left) are figures of Comedy and Tragedy. Within the recess of the proscenium are also placed busts of Handel, Mozart, and Mendelssohn. There is a range of supper-rooms on the north side of the hall, also a stone staircase leading from it up to the balconies. At the opposite end to the stage is placed a commodious bar with store room attached, also a loft communicating with a bar in the west balcony, thereby facilitating the labours of those engaged therein. The basement under the great hall has five avenues of ground arches intended for bowling-alleys; also dressing-rooms for ladies and gentlemen, &c. The whole of the architectural details of the hall are from new designs. The acoustic properties of the hall have already been tried, and are asserted by competent persons to be of the most perfect order. The whole has been erected from the designs and under the superintendence of Mr. Henry Stephen Ridley, architect, 7, Bridge-street, Westminster; the builder being Mr. Frederick King, Besborough-gardens, Vauxhall-bridge-road, Westminster. The prevailing style may be described as Florentine Italian. The building is, as far as practicable, fire-proof, and every care has been taken to protect the audience in case of alarm, by the erection of numerous stone staircases leading to various modes of exit: no expense or trouble has been spared to protect and comfort the crowds which this master-piece of architectural skill nightly shelters. Our engraving will convey a better idea of the *tout ensemble* than can be given in words. We have only to add that the *artistes* at the Regent are of the first order, and that the quality of the entertainment is on a par with the excellence of the hall.

The Presentation of a Valuable Silver Cup to Alec Keene.—On Friday evening last a very select company assembled at Alec Keene's house in Moor-street, for the purpose of presenting him with a testimonial as a mark of esteem of his many admirable properties. We give portraits of the receipint and a drawing of the ceremony of presentation, and we had intended to have accompanied them with a facsimile of the testimonial, but the work could not be satisfactorily accomplished in time for the present issue. The cup, as we have said, is of silver, weighs 140 oz., and holds two gallons. It was made by Mr. Piesse, of 21, Great Sutton-street, Clerkenwell, and is a very admirable specimen of the silversmith's art. The following is the inscription:—"Three Tuns, Moor-street, Soho. Presented to Alec Keene by a few friends, as a mark of respect and esteem for his straightforward conduct in and out of the ring. October 21, 1864." A splendid dinner was provided on the occasion, and the cup was presented by George Brown, Bell, Red Lion Market, Whitecross Street, who, in a short and appropriate speech, eulogised the line of conduct, always marked out Mr. Reede, and expressed the pleasure with which he handed him so valuable a testimony of public esteem. Various toasts followed the presentation, and the company did not separate until a late hour. Alec Keene, weight 9½ stone, was born 1825. He was beaten by Young Greek; a foul blow decided this encounter. In his next tussle he beat W. Cain after fighting 59 rounds in 61 minutes. He received a forfeit from Grant in 1847. He next defeated Joe Phelps, £100 a side, 11 rounds, 2 hours 45 minutes; September 9, 1847. Young Duncan forfeited to him in the same year. He next met and beat Young Sambo (Welsh) in a £200 match; the mill was in 6 rounds and lasted 19 minutes. He was then beaten by Grant, but fortune favoured him in his next encounter, which was with Hayes; the match was settled in the Forest of Dean, September 3, 1850; Hayes fell without a blow.

The Presentation to David Coombes at the Regent Music Hall.—This interesting ceremony is graphically depicted by our artist. Young Coombes has won so many coats and badges that he might comfortably set up a second-hand clothes mart with his prizes. The public ceremony at "The Regent" was only a well-deserved tribute to real worth.

THE LATE YOUNG HARRINGTON, THE WELL-KNOWN PUGILIST.

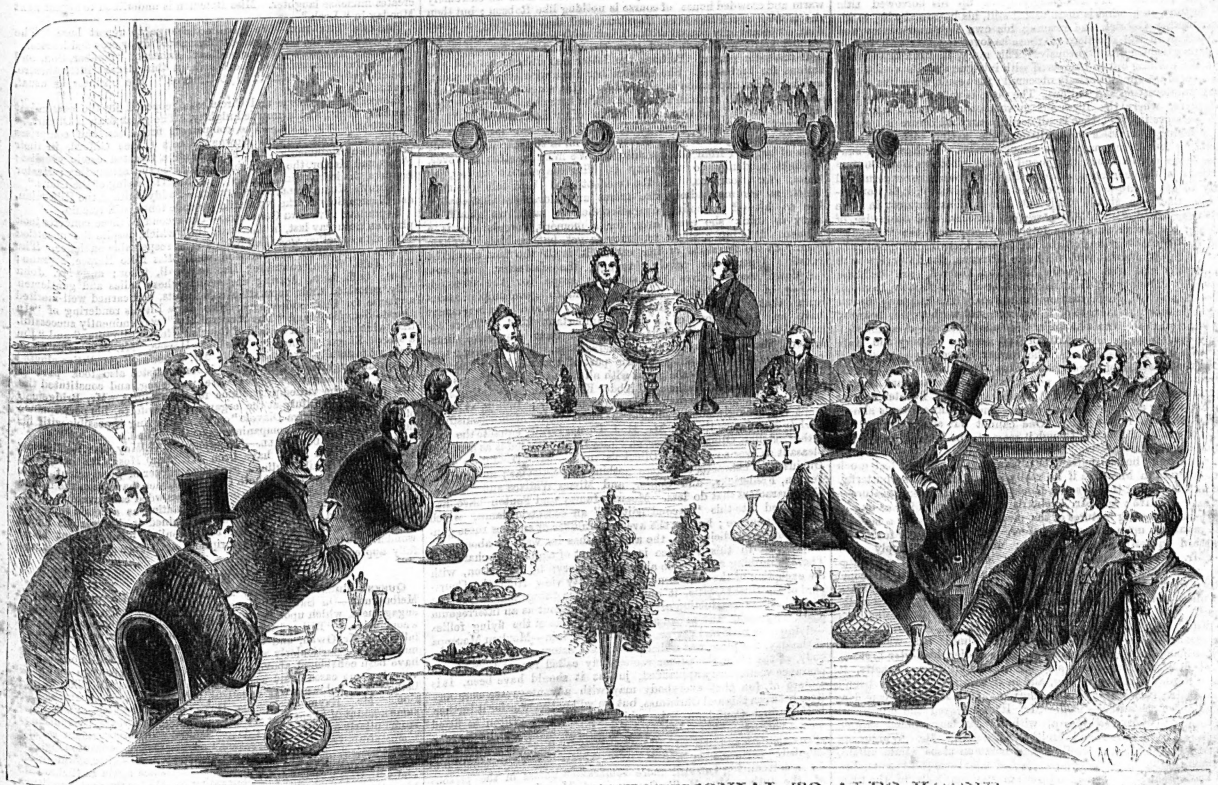
(From a Photograph by Newbold, Strand.)

PIGEON SHOOTING.

Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.—A Pigeon shooting Handicap will take place here on Nov. 7, at seven birds each. First prize, £4; second, £1; entry, 2s. 6d. each, to be made on or before Nov. 5, at the Grounds. To be handicapped according to merit, and the competitors must state at the time of entry whether they intend to shoot with single or double guns. Stamps as cash.

Deer Stalking in the Hebrides.—At Ardvourlie Castle, in the Island of Harris, Outer Hebrides, Mr Frederick Milbank has had excellent sport in this forest, having killed 52 stags to his own rifle, 18 of which had fine royal heads, 7 with 11 tines, and 7 with 10 tines. The weather has been the finest on record. Two hundred brace of grouse have also been killed, and probably another hundred brace will be added before the end of October, now that the stalking season is over.

Daring Burglary at Hyde Park, Sheffield.—Mr. Boothroyd's house was burglariously entered on Friday night, and the belt advertised to be run for, £20 in money, and other articles were stolen. In consequence of this, the belt advertised to be run for, distance 125 yards, cannot take place. Mr. Boothroyd, however, to prevent disappointment, will give £30 to be run for on the same day, November 28. All entries, of 2s each, to be made on or before Wednesday, November 2, at the houses previously advertised.



THE PRESENTATION OF A TESTIMONIAL TO ALEC KEENE,

AT THE THREE TUNS, MOOR STREET, SOHO, ON FRIDAY LAST.

(From a Drawing by our own Artist.)

THEATRICAL AND MUSICAL.

LYCEUM.

Mr. Fechter opened his third season here on Saturday night last with, so far as brilliant audience went, the usual *eclat*. Art and literature were, as is usual on these occasions, largely represented amongst the audience, Messrs. Dickens, Shirley Brooks, Hollingshead, Oxenford, Mayhew, Burnand, Frith, R.A., Creswick, R.A., Marcus Stone, Edmund Yates, and others being present. The piece put forward, "The King's Butterfly," is an adaptation by an anonymous hand, of Mr. Paul Maurice's drama "Fanfan la Tulippe." A very similar version as regards plot was only recently brought out by Mr. Vining at the Princess's, and entitled "Court and Camp." We shall, therefore, to an extent, be relieved of the task of detailing the very complicated action of what is in reality but a simple story. Fanfan Mr. (Fechter), the hero of the piece, is a young, light-hearted, and withal noble-hearted cavalry soldier, in the service of the King of France. He is a foundling, moreover, but tenderly attached to the peasant and his family who have brought him up, and particularly to one member of it, likewise a foundling, Gabriel, (Mr. F. Charles), who, while he (Fanfan) goes soldiering, stops at home, and is the mainstay of the old homestead. The Baron d'Alvera (Mr. Ryder), a Portuguese adventurer, is scheming to obtain possession of the property of a deceased nobleman to whom he is indirectly related; the heir to the property is missing, and if the Baron could only prove the heir dead, it would revert to him. His object then is either to find the heir, or find a person to pass off as such, intending to dispose of his catspaw afterwards, and so finger the property himself. He fixes upon Fanfan for the substitute, chiefly because he is a foundling, and is likely to believe in the truth of the story that he is heir to a marquisate. Fanfan, however, is somewhat sceptical on this point, and is not at all dazzled by the proffered fortune. He coquets, therefore, with the Baron's offer until he accidentally discovers that the real heir to the property is his foster-brother Gabriel. At the same time that he makes this discovery he discovers the sinister intentions of the baron with regard to the heir; and hesitates no more. To save his brother from the death the Baron would scheme, Fanfan accepts the title and fortune, and tenders as proof of identity a rosary found with the infant Gabriel. Another object he has in usurping for a time Gabriel's birthright is the securing for the latter the lady he is in love with—Alice de Rosel (Miss M. Henrade). The Baron is her guardian, and for the furtherance of a political intrigue, having for its object the removal of Madame de Pompadour, he contemplates marrying her to a creature of his own, who will depart with the army and leave his wife to out-fascinate the Pompadour in the eyes of the King. Fanfan, by assuming the marquisate, secures the right, as head of the family, to supersede the Baron as guardian of Alice, and he uses the right by naming as his choice of husband for the lady the new-found Marquis—that is Gabriel in reality, though to all but himself it appears to be Fanfan himself. This act, however, sets the friends that he hopes to serve by it against him. Gabriel, the dear brother that he risks his life for, turns against him and calls him traitor and challenges him. Mme. de Pompadour, who has become his sincere friend, and Alice, who has hitherto put every trust in him as the brother of Gabriel, likewise look upon him as guilty of the basest treachery. Fanfan finds this harder to bear than all; but his love prevails. He will suppress the truth until it may be disclosed without peril to the ungrateful ones. He succeeds in reviving a sufficient amount of Alice's trust in him to secure her consent to the sham marriage of her and himself, and the end of his and his friends' trials speedily follow. The Baron plots again the overthrow of Pompadour, and, at the same time, carries on treasonable correspondence with the enemy, with a view to the defeat of the King's army. In this latter he is, by the treachery of one of his tools, Ramponneau (Mr. H. Widdicomb), who turns conveniently honest, detected and arrested; and, the *bete noir* of the virtuous being thus removed, there is no further need for concealment on the part of Fanfan. He accordingly gives up his borrowed title and fortune, and, what is more prized still, his borrowed wife, to his foster-brother Gabriel, and resumes his own lighthearedness and his position in the affections of those he loves together with that of a common soldier simultaneously. This story, in itself interesting, is in the working out so hampered with intrigue that its qualities in this respect are almost entirely obscured; the result, upon the whole, being uninteresting and tedious. The piece is well written, and here and there, where the incessant movement consequent upon the high pressure intrigue that is allowed to carry all before it, pauses for a moment, it rises to brilliancy, the acting correspondingly benefiting from such propitious circumstances. Such rays of sunshine in the else tedious comings and goings, plottings, and counterplottings, of the characters,—and seeing that you are never permitted fairly to get interested in the characters individually, it is not surprising that you should feel but the smallest interest in these plottings—are the little love passages, fraternal and otherwise, of Fanfan; the breakfast of the foster-brothers, and the "dessert," that Fanfan ate with de Pampodour, he not knowing his guest; the communings of Fanfan with his horse Minerva, the interview with the Baron, and that with the infuriated Gabriel, are delicious little bits. The actors, with the exception of Mr. Fechter, have but little chance for distinguishing themselves. The company, by the bye, as declosed by the cast of this piece—and we have not heard of any important members who are not included therein—does not compare advantageously with that of last season. Emery and Kate Terry are engaged elsewhere. The former is scarcely compensated for by the accession of Ryder, and Miss Terry is not compensated for at all. Brougham, Jordan, and Miss Elsworthy, too, are absent, though their absence may be but temporary. Mr. Fechter acts as he cannot help acting, wondrously fine. Indeed, his acting is almost all that there is in the piece. One cannot but admire the talent, nay, the genius, displayed, though it seems to be lavished in this instance upon a comparatively worthless character. Fanfan is a good fellow enough; but so shallow, as a man, that one cannot feel much more interest in him than if he really were a handsome butterfly. The introduction of the horse—a handsome and intelligent creature—was very effective; and Mr. Fechter's management of it was one of the most interesting features of the piece. We never saw a horse so well managed upon the stage before. There are no "feats," no theatrical equestrianism attempted; the horse is simply used as Mr. Fechter uses everything else—to add completeness and reality to the general effect, and as such it is completely successful. Mr. F. Charles in the part of Gabriel has a part more exacting than any we have yet seen him in, and acquits himself well therein. We are doubtful of his possessing the requisite power for such characters as a rule, but, in this instance, the personation of the gentle, thoughtful, almost lad, who is the very antipodes of the hearty and vivacious soldier, his foster brother, in all but goodness of heart, did not want power exactly, it simply wanted care and feeling, and in these qualities we are bound to say Mr. Charles was not wanting. It was a very complete realization of the author's idea. Mr. Ryder played the crafty and unscrupulous Baron d'Alvera, with all his accustomed satanic stateliness of manner and faultless elocution; Mr. Widdicomb played with his native drollery the common-place comic villain, Ramponneau, a character compounded of equal parts of cowardice and wickedness; Mr. Raymond gave martial emphasis to the little he had to do as Marshal Saxe; Mr. Moreland played the bailiff without his *extra* comic force, the rendering being all the more complete therefore; Messrs. McIntyre, Garden, Clifford, and Collett played respectably; Miss C. Leclercq played Madame de Pompadour with her usual charming coquettish grace and feeling; Miss M. Henrade also ably supported the slight part of Alice; and Miss E. Lavenu made the prettiest looking and speaking of grisettes as Florette. Next to the acting of Mr. Fechter, the scenery is the most remarkable part of the piece. If the latter secures a run, it will certainly be to no small extent due to Mr. William Calcott's efforts in this department. For grandeur of design, beauty of execution, and correctness of detail, we have never seen its equal. It surpasses all hitherto done under Mr. Fechter's *regime*, as that surpassed all that had gone before. The scene-*builder*, supposing he is not identical with the scene-*painter*, should, however, share commendation in this matter. The dresses, groupings, and appliances generally are correspondingly beautiful, and scrupulously appropriate. There are also two incidental ballets introduced under the superintendence of M. Petit, which amply support the fame that gentleman has acquired, besides redounding to the credit of the ladies engaged. The Divertissement des Marguerites in the Palace of Versailles is especially meritorious. On Saturday evening, Mr. Fechter was called before the curtain several times, the other principal characters and Mr. Calcott, the artist, being similarly honoured; but on Monday the applause halted somewhat, there being but one call, at the end of the third act, that being responded to by the curtain being raised upon the tableau. The gratification of the audience, however, with the superb acting of Mr. Fechter was sufficiently demonstrated during the progress of the piece. On Monday evening, indeed, the greatest demonstrations had for object the weary intervals that ensued between each act, consequent upon the elaboration of the set scenery. They took the form of two or three regular tempests of hisses. It is to be hoped something will be done to remedy this evil; the exceeding long pauses between the acts have a very depressing and wearying effect upon an audience, and no doubt the piece and the actors suffer accordingly.

STRAND.

Although the Olympic is undoubtedly the birth place of modern burlesque, yet the latter's reigning high priest, Mr. H. J. Byron, never contributed but one piece of that description to its boards. The one was "Mazeppa." It was produced at Christmas, 1859, and, for a time, furnished, in the hero, that which was the prime desideratum in all Olympic burlesques, a character for Robson. Mazeppa, however, never ranked amongst the best of Robson's burlesque parts, and the barlesque itself will not—speaking for the first and second editions, subsequent editing might do wonders—rank high amongst burlesques generally, or those of Mr. Byron in particular. It is, spite of its "fiery steed" and hordes of Tartars, but a tame affair, slight in construction and common place in execution. So much so, indeed, that it would seem to need the somewhat apologetic, dedicatory preface, its author published with a reprint in 1860, which is as follows:—"July, 1860,—My dear Robson,—This burlesque was, as you know, written at the eleventh hour, and in an inconceivably short time. As it undoubtedly owed its long and successful run to your inimitable acting, singing, and equestrianism, I gladly take the opportunity afforded me by its re-publication of dedicating it to you. Ever yours, sincerely, HENRY J. BYRON." The "Second Edition of Mazeppa," produced on Wednesday night at the Strand, is not materially altered from the first edition. Some few allusions to current events, more especially to the revival of "Mazeppa" at Astley's, have been hastily as it would seem—suggestive, in fact, of the "eleventh hour" again—interpolated, and a general compression constitute the difference. The course of the Astlean melo-drama, the revival of which has undoubtedly suggested its productions is closely followed, and as a burlesque of that which is in itself a burlesque, it is certainly amusing. But for this timeliness as a parody of one of the sensations of the hour, and the excellent acting of Miss Raynham, there is however, little or nothing to compensate for the absence of that which gave success to the piece as first brought out, Robson's acting. Miss Raynham, who in the role of Mazeppa made her first appearance here, and received an extremely warm welcome from an extremely warm and crowded house, of course is nothing like Robson; but then she is very much like Miss Raynham, and that is saying a great deal. She not only played with all, but with something more, of her wanted spirit and dash, and gave the mock-heroic passages with real dramatic power. Perhaps the latter was a shade too real and serious for burlesque. She delivers her lines with excellent point, and her facial expression is admirable. Her singing does not come off quite so well, but still it is good. The horse business (the "fiery untamed steed" is from the wilds of "Lother-Arcadia") is managed with great good taste, and it and the imitations of "La Menken" generally are clever and droll in the extreme, eliciting roars of laughter from the spectators. We must mention, however, a slight tendency to vulgarity in Miss Raynham's acting, at times, for instance, in the combat and back-fall business. Much as we may admire the talent and cleverness that enables her to hit off masculine characteristics so well, we should be sorry to think she ever, even for a moment, forgets she is a woman. It is but a slight tendency as yet, but as Miss Raynham is only on the threshold of her career it is fit the fact should be noted. Upon the whole, though, the character, as now cut down, scarce gives her sufficient scope for the thorough display of her abilities. The performance gave ample assurance that in Miss Raynham the Strand management have an acquisition of a most important kind. There is very little in the other characters, and their respective illustrators, therefore, appear at a disadvantage. Miss Simpson was rather too matronly-looking for the part of the maiden "Pearl of Poland," Olinska, but she acted with all her usual effectiveness and spirit. Mr. Thorne plays the aged Abder Khan, Mazeppa's father, in a most remarkable and artistic make up excellently; falling, as is his wont, tantalizingly short of some of the finest strokes of sero-comedy of the late Mr. James Rogers. Mr. H. J. Turner is fully equal to the part of the Castellan, Olinska's father, and Miss Eliza Johnston is as pert and pleasant as ever as Zenika, Olinska's maid. Mr. D. James plays Dubinsko, a character that does nothing in particular; and Messrs. Fenton, Fredericks, and Collier, and Misses Wallace and Weston, play characters that do less. Messrs. James and Fenton have had introduced into this "second edition," an eccentric dance, which secures an encore; but as the average number of encores these gentlemen's dances elicit, and the audience has its way, is about six, the success in this instance is somewhat of a qualified character. There is nothing remarkable about the scenery, by C. Fenton, with the exception of the first scene, a very pretty view from the Courtyard of Laurinski Castle, it and many other things pointing to the fact that the production of "Mazeppa," is but as an interregnum piece. As such, and as an amusing hit at one of the flying follies—flying over rock and ravine, precipice and plain—Menken Mazeppa of the day, the piece was well received, the actors complimented in a body, at the close, the author vociferously called for, and, on his appearance vociferously applauded, just as it should have been. It is a piece of fun that everybody may with advantage see *once* any time between this and Christmas, but we will not answer for it further. "Unlimited Confidence," in which Miss Marie Wilton is fitted with a character that enables her to appear more charming than ever—the assumption of Florence Beckworth is certainly a most exquisite performance, and "Milky White," a very remarkable piece, introducing two still more remarkable actors in the persons of the author, Mr. H. T. Craven, and Mr. James Stoyle, the merits of all three growing upon one, and the combined effect being such a complete spell-binding of the audience as is seldom seen—continue to be the other pieces.

BRIGHTON.

THEATRE ROYAL (Lessee and Director, Mr. Henry Nye Chart).—"Hamlet" obtained but poor patronage on Monday, the 24th, though Mr. James O'Sullivan sustained the principal part. Miss Rosina Ranoe rendered the fair Ophelia naturally, and sang the ballads incidental to the part with exquisite finish. Another admirable bit of acting was the Actress, by Miss Ethel Somers, whose innate talent will, with attention, attain prominency. Mr. Chart enacted the Sexton, Mr. Barsby Laertes, Mr. Shepherd Polonius, Mr. Gould Claudius, Mr. H. Westland Horatio, Mr. G. Rignold Ghost, Miss F. Wallis Queen Gertrude, conspicuously; Mr. T. Robinson as Rosencrantz made miserable havoc. Byron's burlesque of "Mazourka" has terminated the entertainments nightly. Mr. Chart Countess Tiddli winki, Miss Rosina Ranoe Mazourka, Mr. Alfred Sanger Pirouette, Miss Maria Henderson Count, Miss Ellen Leigh Baron Bosh, Miss Hamilton Mazourki, Miss Rachel Sanger Yelva, Mr. H. Cox Ivan, Mr. Barsby Blind Violinist, and Mdlle. Downing's fair ballet troupe evoke enthusiastic encores and applause. "Othello" introduced our leading gentleman as the jealous Moor on Wednesday and Friday (last night), the new Strand extravaganza winding up the performances. "Hamlet" was repeated on Tuesday, and "The Merchant of Venice," with "Mazourka," and "The Spitalfields Weaver," formed the attractions on Thursday.

CANTERBURY HALL (Proprietor, Mr. W. Clark).—The company, which includes Hicks and Raynor, sable singers, Mr. and Mrs. Brennan, operatic duettists, and Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons, comic, continue to give satisfaction.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wigan's dramatic readings have been well attended in the Town Hall Assembly Room during this week.—On Thursday George Dawson, Esq., lectured on "Thackeray the Novelist" with success.

Mr. J. H. Stead, the original metropolitan "Cure," from Weston's, is the presiding curiosity at the Oxford; Mr. G. W. Jester, *i.e.*, "The Talking Hand," continues popular.

ROYAL CIRCUS (Manager, R. Moffatt).—On Tuesday, the 25th, Dan Cooke, the clever clown and dramatic jester, took his benefit, and was awarded a "bumper."

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

THEATRE ROYAL.—"The Ticket of Leave Man," with the same cast as heretofore detailed, was reproduced at this house on Monday last, and judging from the attendance and liberal applause the drama has lost none of its attractions. Bob Brierly was most ably personated by Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Marcus Elmore sustaining the part of James Dalton with consummate ability. Miss Cross as Sam Willoughby was also extremely effective, as May Edwards Mrs. Harcourt acted with much discrimination and naturalness. The "Norwegian Wreckers," a nautical drama, was produced, the performances ending with the favourite drama of the "Queen's Page."

TYNE CONCERT HALL.—Beyond the opportune appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Nash, Ethiopian performers, the company here is precisely the same as noticed in our last issue. The former artistes are of rare excellence and funny in the extreme. The company altogether is a surprising one and well worthy a visit.

HANDFORD'S MUSIC HALL.—The company here comprise the following: Paddy Ryan, comic; The Brothers Carr, dancers; Miss Le Bourne, serio comic; Mr. J. C. Austin, tenor; Miss Julia Bruce, ballad vocalist; Will Percival, negro vocalist; and the evergreen Tom Handford. The whole of these artistes are above the average, and entitled to support.

At the Victoria and Grainger Music Halls the companies continue the same.

MANCHESTER.

THEATRE ROYAL.—A drama has been produced here, entitled "Camilla's Husband," from the pen of Mr. Watts Phillips. The part of Lady Camilla Hailstone is essayed by Miss Annie Cowper, and that of Maurice Warner by Mr. Henry Irving, by whom full justice is done to the parts. Mr. F. Averill is quite at home in the low comedy impersonation of Dogbriar and his wife. Red Judy has an able representative in Mrs. Raymond. Miss E. Miller as their daughter, and Mr. G. F. Sinclair as Sir Philip Hailstone, deserve honourable mention. Altogether the piece has proved a decided success, and the performances have concluded each evening with Mr. H. J. Byron's burlesque of "Ill Treated Ill Trovatore," which created such a sensation recently at the Adelphi Theatre, London. It abounds with rich humour and good puns, and creates immense laughter. Miss Bateman is underlined to appear next Monday in "Leah."

PRINCE'S THEATRE.—We have no change to report here. The "Tempest" and the burlesque of "Mazourka" draw crowded houses.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.—The sensational drama of "Dunbar, Son, and Co.," retains possession of the boards at this elegant little theatre. The after piece has been "The 39 Thieves." The business, as usual, is excellent.

Sanger's Hippodrome and Circus was reopened for the season last Saturday night, and is crowded nightly. The great draw is Olmar.

LONDON MUSIC HALL.—The company is first class, and comprises Huline and Sons, musical clowns; sisters Gilbee Gifford, in their musical entertainments; Mr. Frank Hall, a talented comic vocalist; Faust and Hector, the great acrobats; Airec the astounding; Master Sanders, the infant Sims Reeves; and the "Gathering of the Clans."

HARRY'S MUSIC HALL, SWAN-STREET.—Paddy Phillips, the Hibernian, and Master Robson, the wonderful juvenile tenor, still remain.

SATURDAY EVENING CONCERTS.—The second of these concerts took place on Saturday last, in the Music Hall, which, despite the unsettled state of the weather was filled with a most respectable audience. The artistes engaged on the occasion were Miss Rose Hersee, soprano; Miss Julia Elton, contralto; Mr. Inkersall, tenor; and Mr. John Rouse, buffo bass. During the evening these ladies and gentlemen fully sustained their reputation as vocalists, and earned well-merited applause for their endeavours; Miss Julia Elton's rendering of "In Questo Semplice" and "The Minstrel Boy" was eminently successful, than which no less can be said of Ganz's "Sing Birdie Sing," and "I'm a Merry Zingara," sung by Miss Rose Hersee. Mr. Inkersall's songs were all tastefully executed, while Mr. Rouse's comic ditties elicited universal laughter and applause. These artistes also took part in several duets and trios, which were well sung, and constituted the best part of the varied programme for the evening. Mr. Bridgeman presided most skillfuly at the organ and pianoforte, his performance of the overture to "Fra Diavolo" on the first, vying if possible with his delicate and precise accompaniments on the second.

ALEXANDRA MUSIC HALL.—(Proprietor W. G. May, Esq.)—The new arrivals here this week have been Mr. Jem Moss, the celebrated comique; and Paul Deulin, a grotesque nigger of great talent. The vocal and pedal powers of both these gentlemen have been the means of collecting capital houses, the hall being crowded each evening. Mr. Moss has already gained a sterling reputation as a comic singer in Edinburgh, and on Monday he fully sustained it, his various comic songs being well received. Mr. Paul Deulin's entertainment is so wonderful that it quite defies description, and we are glad to see it was fully appreciated by those present.

HULL.

QUEEN'S THEATRE (Lessees, Mrs. J. H. Wolfenden and Mr. R. B. Melbourne).—On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. George Owen brought their engagement, which upon the whole has been remarkably successful, to a conclusion. "Richard the Third" was the piece, the part of Glo'ster falling to Mr. Owen, and had it not been for several deteriorating mannerisms, particularly with reference to his gesticulation, might have been considered above the average, as the conception and delivery in some cases could scarcely have been surpassed. The Elizabeth of Mrs. Robinson was excellent, both in conception and execution. Mr. Raymond as the Duke of Buckingham evinced the same amount of talent that we have witnessed for years. Experience seems utterly at fault with this gentleman, and improvement we are almost afraid, from long observation, "sits perched on mounts too high for him to scale." Mr. Pearce—the heavy man here—after shuffling off the mortal coil as Henry VI., came into existence again as Richmond, and with the exception of looking rather too old for the part, acquitted himself very creditably. As the Duchess of York our old friend Mrs. Mulford was entirely out of place; in any delineations of lower life—such as the Mother of Danny Man in the "Colleen Bawn," Mrs. Mulford is *au fait*, but when anything aristocratic is attempted the result is invariably, as it was in this case, a failure. A few additional

supernumeraries here would be a *desideratum*, we may infer, from the scanty supply allotted to Richmond, who on Saturday last won Beaworth Fleld with one attendant, one officer, and two miserably drilled followers. At the conclusion of the piece, Mr. George Owen and Mr. Pearce received an enthusiastic encore. The performances concluded with "Leah," which has been the principal attraction throughout the week, in which Mrs. Owen sustained the character of the Jewish Maiden, and convinced us that we beheld an actress in every sense of the word. The love, the anguish, and the revenge of the discarded girl, traits that require skilful handling to become effective, were given with a life-like fidelity. Mr. George Owen, as Michael, had not much to do, but though little he did it well. The merits of our excellent low comedian, Mr. George Lee, next claim our notice, who, as Fritze, in conjunction with Miss Maggie Grainger (Litza) contributed to a great extent by their humour and originality to the success of the piece. On Monday, Mr. R. H. Lingham, of (as the bills say) the principal London Theatres, appeared in his great play of "Sweeney Todd!" and managed to draw a good house. *O tempora! O mores!*

Springthorpe Promenade Concerts (Secretary and Business Agent, Signor D'Allesandri).—Templeton's African Opera Troupe have been here during the week, drawing large houses. Amongst the staff we noticed two or three new faces, although the inimitable Harry still retains his trump cards—Anderson, Rawlinson, and Blamphin. Miss Thornton (serio-comic) is also here, and in the intervals, by her excellent vocalism, shares the honours with the sable aspirants.

The Alhambra Music Hall (Manager, Mr. P. Williams).—Professor Henriquez, with his performing dogs and monkeys, made his *debut* here on Monday, in addition to whom we have Mr. and Mrs. Williams, duettists; Mr. William Knowles, chairman, musical director, and basso; and Mr. Mark Floyd, transformation dancer. Business, we regret to say, very bad.

At the Jarrett-street Rooms on Wednesday, for three nights, the Christy Minstrels (H. Montague, secretary) were announced to appear.

LIVERPOOL.

Royal Amphitheatre.—On Monday last Dion Boucicault's drama of "Omoo, or, the Sea of Ice," was produced to a crammed house. The drama is very slightly altered from the old Adelphi piece of the same name, a change of names and one or two alterations in the action of the piece being the only thing new about it. To give effect to the production the management had entered into engagements with Miss Lucy Rushton, of Astley's, and Mr. Addison, who made their appearance on Monday in the respective characters of Omoo and Apollo, an old negro. Of the lady we must say that she did not exactly come up to our expectations. She possesses, without doubt, a splendid stage figure, but it is only in parts that she does anything out of the common, at least such was our impression on the first night of the production. In the part of Lucy la Touche, which character by-the-way she has to play, doubling the character of Omoo, she was passable, but her play in the part of the young Indian girl Omoo, was exceedingly slow, giving one the idea of a very sleepy Indian. However, a few nights' playing will, no doubt, bring out any strong points that she may possess. For the Apollo of Mr. Addison we have nothing but praise. His play as the old negro pilot was exceedingly racy and won immense applause. Mr. Warner, as Captain Barney la Touche, by his acting gave the audience a capital idea of what a theatrical "stick" was, his performance being exceedingly wooden. The Duke of Alva suited Mr. Cowper nicely, and Messrs. Crofton and Pitt were passable in the parts of Dudley Firench and the Duke of Albemarle. Miss Reignold was, as she always is, ladylike and taking in the part of Aileen. The scenery is, without doubt, the great feature of the production, and Messrs. C. Brew and G. Dawson with their talented assistants have done great things in the scenic department. One scene by Mr. Brew, that of the Iceberg, is immense, and earned for the artist a double call, being most beautifully executed; while the introduction of a novel illusion, in the shape of the Aurora Borealis, which is accomplished by means of the limelight, makes it the most perfect scene that has been presented for years past. Mr. Dawson also shines in one or two scenes, more particularly that of the Island in the Pacific. The piece has been preceded by a short farce, "Fair Exchange," in which Miss Goodall and Mr. Hunter appear to great advantage. We have no doubt that the drama will have a long and prosperous run.

Prince of Wales's Theatre.—On Friday last Mr. Toole took his farewell benefit, his friends and admirers gathering in immense numbers to do honour to the occasion. After the second piece ("Our Clerks") Mr. Toole came forward in the exceedingly grotesque dress of John Puddicomb, and delivered a humorous address, in which he imitated Messrs. Buckstone, Webster, Keen, Phelps, and, most faithfully. On Saturday his engagement terminated. On Monday, Mr. E. H. Sothern appeared in his great character of David Garrick, of which we will speak in our next. Mr. Walter Searle has re-appeared, as also Mr. Bancroft. Watts Phillips' new drama of "The Woman in Mauve," is announced.

New Adelphi Theatre.—In consequence of the death of Mr. W. H. Deutith, husband of the leading lady at this house, the production of the drama of "Ogarita, or the Sea of Ice," has been postponed for a short time. During the week "Cato," "Ship on Fire," &c., &c., have been played to good houses, Messrs. C. King, and F. Robson appearing in each, supported by the Misses McDonald.

Royal Colosseum.—"Gin and Water," will be withdrawn after this week, a new drama of "Pure Every-day Life," entitled "The Token, or the Halfpeny Child," being announced for production. On Thursday, Miss Clara Villier's took her benefit, assisted by Mr. T. Villier's Mr. G. Hartley, and Mrs. Clifton.

Queen's Operetta House.—At this pretty little house the patronage is large and deservedly so, the management putting the pieces on with care and taste. Mr. Fourness Rolfe is now engaged and appears each evening in the opera of "Rosine and Isabelle," which is backed by a comic little piece, "The Magic Apple" supported by Messrs. Drayton, St. Alby, and Miss J. Carrol.

American Opera House.—Margaret Douglass, the pedestrienne from the Alhambra, has been engaged to walk 1,000 miles in 1,000 hours, and has continued her ardous task each day and night during this week. The company at this house is very good, including G. Hartley, Lorenzo and Son, Waters, Morton, and the Messrs Howard, Whalton, and Brien.

BATH.

New Theatre Royal (Lessee Mr. J. N. Chute).—The benefit of Miss Kate Terry was a great success, the house being crowded. "The Lady of Lyons" and "Giselle" being the pieces selected, she was enthusiastically applauded throughout; also Mr. James Bennett as Claude Melnotte; both were called before the curtain. On Saturday last "As You Like It" was produced, for the purpose of introducing Miss Maggie Young, as Rosalind, being announced as her first appearance on any stage; this, however, we very much doubt, she at all events seemed well up in stage business, and anything but what is generally expected from a novice; we shall notice her performance next week, and may add that the audience gave her a hearty welcome, and applauded Melnotte throughout. The Miss Addisons and Mr. Stirling are underlined.

The Concert on Saturday last by Middle. Titiens and party was exceedingly well attended.

Messrs. Poole and Young have been exhibiting their Panorama and Ghost at the Assembly Rooms during the past week.

SHEFFIELD.

Theatre Royal. (Lessee C. Pitt, Esq.).—Madame Celeste, the great actress, still continues to be the great draw. Her impersonation of Rudiga, in the drama of the "Woman in Red," is most heartily appreciated, and we most decidedly think the applause bestowed upon her is but her just due. The attendance is very good, and we sincerely congratulate the Lessee upon the success he has achieved, since the appearance of Madame Celeste.

Wilson's Concert Hall.—Miss Maria Stanley, serio-comic, opened here last Monday, for a short season. A fellow of the name of Weston, who has been singing here for a little while, grossly insulted the pianist, last week, who demanded an apology, which was refused, he (the pianist) then took up his music and left the place, a proceeding with which all sensible men will concur, and an example which other pianists would do well to follow.

SUNDERLAND.

Theatre Royal, Bedfor-street.—(Lessees, Miss Catherine Lucette, and Mr. Morton Price).—Since our last notice of this establishment, "Camilla, or the Artist Lover," has been the principal attraction. The piece is written exceedingly well, and affords ample scope for displaying the various abilities of the principal portion of the company, the leading parts being sustained by Messrs. Morton Price, Broughton, Lewis Ball, C. H. Simms, Walton, and Josephs, and Mrs. Hudson Kirby, Mrs. Dowton, Misses Barrand, and Heath. "The Bottle" was revived on Saturday as the after piece, and we may say, "brought grist to the mill." The house was crowded. Both houses having got thoroughly into working order some good competition has been the result, and we expect to see rare productions for Christmas in the shape of good pantomimes, with sterling scenery.

EXTRA PEDESTRIANISM.

HORNSEY.

Race between Forster and Chartiss.—Forster contended last week in Mr. Ashley's quarter of a mile handicap at Bow, having by a mistake been entered for that event as a novice. Chartiss is a pedestrian by no means unknown to metropolitan admirers of the sport; and as they "agreed to differ" as to their respective capabilities, they resolved upon bringing the matter to a fair test. Hence the present match to run one hundred yards for £5 a-side, Forster to allow his opponent a start of five yards. The event came off at Hornsey, the meeting being attended by some six hundred or seven hundred of the partisans of the competitors. The betting was slightly in favour of Forster. Mr. Hughes was chosen as referee, and all being in readiness the competitors came to the mark. Chartiss being stationed the given five yards in front of his man, the start was made by report of pistol, and the pedestrians made the "break" on level terms. Chartiss made the running at a good pace, but the moment the men had fairly opened to their work it became apparent that Forster had the turn of speed in his favour. He began to pull in on his man, and had so altered their relative positions that at 80 yds he had worked his way to the front. Although Chartiss had thus been passed, he contested the race gamely to the finish, Forster on the determination of the spin going in a winner by two yards, thus proving himself on the present occasion a seven yards better man in 100 than his opponent.

BASSALLEG.

A race of 200 yds took place on the Bassalleg-road, Pye-corner, near Newport, Monmouthshire, for £2 a side, between George Bayton, better known as the the "Little Darkey," of Rogerstone, and Charles Jones, better known as the "Spider," of the Cefw. A good start was effected, the Darkey going to the front and winning easily, the Spider giving up before he ran half distance. The Darkey was attended by his trainer, Samuel Beard, and William Harry; the Spider was also attended by his trainer, Edward Bayton, and Charles Jones. Although the weather was very unfavourable there was about 400 spectators. Much credit is due to their trainers. The lads looked in excellent condition. The Darkey is a promising lad, being very powerful.

Thomas Sawyer will run Anderson, of Norwood, 150 yds for £2 a side. A match may be made at the White Lion, Upper Norwood.

BOW.

Final Heat of the Quarter of a Mile Handicap.—The preliminary heats for this event were run on Monday week, on Mr. C. Wilson's Ground, the prizes being given by Mr. Ashley, host of the White Hart, Windmill-street, Haymarket, when Duckworth's Novice, 46 yds start, Benard 49, Mills 52, and Williams 56, were the winners. These pedestrians now came together to run off for the prize, when after a well-contested race Benard proved the winner, Duckworth's Novice and Mills making a dead heat for second.

Final Heat of the Half-mile Handicap.—The preparatory heats for this event, which, as in the Quarter of a mile Handicap, was for prizes given by Mr. Ashley, were run on Monday week, when May 125 yds, Allen 125, Coward 130, and Walsh 150, proved the four winners. The race was well-contested for a quarter of a mile, when Allen, who put on some extra steam, came well away with the lead, and went by the goal an easy winner, Walsh finishing second.

Handicap Race of 130 Yards.—This was likewise for a prize given by Mr. Ashley, and the winners of the preliminary heats were as follows;—Simms 15 yds start, Haskins 15, Hemmit 15, Ford 5. The successful competitors now ran the final heat. After a rattling race from end to end, Hemmit proved the winner by not more than half-a-yard, Smart finishing second, and Ford third.

Williams and A Plumpton.—These metropolitan amateurs, who both belong to the musical profession, met in time at the side of Mr. Warner's, the Welsh Harp, Hendon, on Saturday last, to decide their race of 150 yds, for £10 and a silver cup. They had contended on two previous occasions, having run a 100 yds match at Brompton, when Plumpton won, and also a 150-yds race at Garrett-lane, when Williams (who had three yards start) won easily. On the present occasion they had to start by mutual consent, and if not off in one hour, then to go by report of pistol. W. Preston was chosen umpire for Plumpton, and D. Williams for his brother; a Mr. Golden was referee. Some spirited betting took place at 6 to 4 on Plumpton. Williams won the toss, and chose the worst side. After dodging in the pelting rain for nearly three-quarters of an hour, Williams got the start, and kept the lead for about fifty yards, when Plumpton past him. At the bridge, some thirty yards from the finish, Plumpton was leading by about four yards, when Williams, finding his chance hopeless, resigned the contest, and Plumpton won as he liked.

Benefit for Rowan, of Gateshead, at Hackney Wick.—This praiseworthy affair is fixed for Saturday fortnight, November 12, when there will be a half-a-mile and a 300 yards race, for silver watches; entries, 1s., to be made to Mr. W. Fox, on the ruins or the grounds, or to Mr. Wilson, Spotted Dog, Strand, where tickets can also be had. Let peds enter immediately, dispose of tickets, pay at the gate, and urge the public to cheer the dying hours of this once-famed champion. Subscriptions received by Messrs. Price and Wilson.

Pavilion Gardens, North Woolwich. Notice.—The Handicap Race, advertised at these grounds will not take place until Monday, November, 7, in consequence of the gardens being engaged for the the 31st inst. The entries will remain open until Monday, October 31.

A. P. and J. C.—These amateurs have staked a further sum of £5 a-side, for their 120 yds race, for £50 a-side, and £5 a-side has to be made good to-day (Saturday), at the Oxford Music Hall.

Brendell and Hudson.—These men have deposited the stakes (£10), for their 1,000 yds race, at Hackney Wick, on Monday next, at 4 o'clock p.m. To start by report of pistol.

Goldsmith and Gibbs.—These men have staked another £1 a side for their match, and the final, of £1 a side, must be made good at Mr. Radford's, the Banshee, Lewisham-road, to-day (Saturday).

Guy and Bennett.—In this match we have received a further sum of £2 from Guy, and Bennett must send his money on Friday next.

J. Hilton, of Rycroft, will run Etchells, and take three yards in 140, for £10 a side; or will jump William Booth, of Ardwick, one back jump, if Booth will allow a foot. Either or both of the matches can be made (to take place at the Royal Oak Park, Manchester) any time at Robert Wallace's Union Arms, Ashton.

Jack Boone, the pugilist, will make a match to walk as far in one hour as anyone can run in half an hour, for from £25 to £100 a side. A match can be made at Bob Brettle's, White Lion Digbeth, Birgingham, or George Hardy's, Rising Sun, Swan-street, Manchester.

Alec Graham, of Birmingham, is much surprised at seeing a challenge from J. Thomas, of Harborne, to walk him, after creeping out of the last match in the miserable way he did. If he (Thomas) means business, Graham will accept the old terms, and walk him two miles, with a quarter of a minute start; or he will back Smalley or Berridge to compete with him seven miles, level, for his own sum. Money ready at any time at the Malt-shovel, Thomas-street, Birmingham.

R. Styles will accept T. Bath's (of Luton) challenge to run 180 yards, for £5 a side, and has deposited to make a match. R. S. hopes that Bath will or £10 a side, and has deposited to make a match. R. S. hopes that Bath will call and sign, if only to show that it is not bombast that induced him to send the challenge, as some people assert.

G. Middleton, in answer to Charles Bannister's challenge to run five or six score yards, for £5 a-side, says that a match can be made at six score yards for £10 a-side. Money ready any night at the North-Western Hotel, Wolverton.

George Parker, of Hackney, will run Hammore, of Chichester, 1,000 yards round Hackney Wick, for £15 a-side, and allow £2 expenses. A match can be made at the Waterbeach public-house any night. Culmer, of London, or Lake, of Lambeth, can be on for the same amount.

C. Read, of Drury-lane, will run W. Larkman, of Bow, 440 yards, level, or give him ten yards in a half a mile; or Crawley, of Coleman-street, can have twenty yards in half a mile. Either match for £5 a-side.

H. Nevill, of Bradford, not being satisfied with his late defeat by Emmett, of Bradford, will run him again if he will give 3 yds start in 120; or he will take 2 yds start of Hawkins, of Leeds, or Gibson, of Pidswell, in the same distance; 2 yds start of J. Bennett, or W. Culpin, of Geckheaton, 100 yds, level. Any of the above matches can be made any night, for £10 or £15 a side, at the house of Mr. S. Hargreaves, Falcon Inn, Bradford.

Young Oulds, of Lambeth, will run Ike Pendry, or G. Stannott, of Colnbrook, 150 yds, with 3 yds start; or Hill, of Colnbrook, can be on if he will allow 7 yds in 150.

J. Phillips, of Blisworth, will run Joe Harrison, of Wooton, any distance he likes, for £10 a side; to run a month after the first deposit. A deposit and articles sent to Fred Chester's, the Sun Inn, Blisworth, will ensure a match.

Arthur Wallis, of Bermondsey, will take three yards' start in 120 of Collins, of Richmond, or Tucker, of Rotherhithe, for their own sum. A match can be made this (Saturday) evening at the Masons' Arms, Horsemonger-lane, Borough.

A gentleman will back a lad who never won a shilling to walk Young Wren, of Brixton, G. Smith, of Holloway, J. Hargreave, of Old Kent-road, Fielding's Novice, or Marks, the winners of Mr. Prior's cup, at Bow, any distance from two to seven miles, level, for from £5 to £15 a-side.

James Barton, of Kilburn, not being satisfied with his late defeat by Brookson's Novice, will run him again, half-a-mile, with 20 yards start.

James Hailey, of Lower Houses, seeing a challenge from Neary, of Hulme, will take ten yds in 200, or twenty yds in 440, for £25 a side, to be run in six weeks from the first deposit; or he will take four yds in 250 of Hinns, of Harding, for the same amount. Either of the above matches can be made at James Boothroyd's, Masons' Arms, Lower Houses, any night next week.

Guilder's Novice is surprised at Joe Beevis challenging any wooden-legged man in London, and then not making a match. Guilder's Novice will walk him one mile, according to his challenge, or run any wooden-legged man in the world from 300 to 440 yards for £10 a side. By covering £1, and sending articles to C. Gilden, at Filly Pratt's, Steam Packet, Nine Elms-lane, a match can be made.

Young Plummer, of London, will walk the Lad of Hull any distance, for his own money.

Miles and Bernard.—This 4-mile walking match, which comes off on Monday next, at Brompton, is looked forward to with much interest. Bernard has arrived from training quarters, and taken up his *locale* at the Blue Boar's Head, Long Acre, where he will be glad to see his friends.

NEW BELLE VUE, PARK TOP, NEAR HALIFAX.

Saturday, October 22.—Notwithstanding the unfavourable state of the weather, upwards of 1,000 persons were present at these grounds to-day to witness the sparrow shooting handicap, for which nineteen shooters entered from various parts. Mr. W. Jagger, of Shelf, was the only one who killed all his birds. The handicap will be finished on Saturday next; to commence at two o'clock.

Nurr and Spell.—S. Crossley, of Midgley, and T. Cockroft, of Erringden, also met here on Saturday to decide their match for £10 a side. Mr. John Kellett, of Low Moor, was stakeholder and referee. Crossley was the favourite at 6 to 4, at which odds a fair amount of money was speculated. Crossley proved far too good for his opponent, winning the first 5 rises by ten scores, and the match by twenty-five scores—Crossley scoring in his thirty rises 295, Cockroft only 270.

James Hollings, of Bradford, and Robert Greenwood, of Heaton Bridge, are matched to play a game at nurr and spell, at these grounds on Saturday, November 19, for £15 (open for £25) a side. W. Shackleton, who is to be stakeholder and referee, has received £1 a side; to be made into £10 a side on Saturday, October 29, and the remainder on the day of playing by twelve o'clock.

Samuel Woodcock, of Bowling, and David Morton, of Cinder Hills, are matched to run 150 yds for £10 a side, at these grounds on Saturday, November 12. Mr. J. Laycock, of Bradford, has received £5a side. Mr. Shackleton to be referee.

E. Lawton's Rattle, of Booth Town, and J. Bowes's Brutus, of Burnley, are matched to run 200 yds at these grounds, for £15 a side on Saturday, November 5; Brutus to be under 25lb, and Rattle under 23lb; Rattle to receive six yards' start, inside. Mr. W. Gill, Square-End Tavern, Halifax, has received £10 a side; the remainder of the money to be made good on November 4. To weigh at three o'clock and run at four. Mr. Gill to be referee.

SHOOTING.

PRINCE OF WALES GROUNDS, BOW.

Tuesday last was the day fixed for the pigeon-match, for a handsome cup, and money prizes; but the attractions at Newmarket most effectually thinned the ranks of the sporting *habitues* of these grounds, and not half-a-dozen guns being present, a few unimportant matches at sparrows were shot, after which a gentleman present, Mr. Cox, who backed himself to kill eight birds out of ten, succeeded in victimising a few of those on the ground by taking the odds of 6 to 4 against his performance. Following this, a practised hand, who had taken part in the first match, killed three sparrows running from the trap holding his weapon in one hand, while pulling the string with the other.

Margaret Douglas, the Pedestrian.—This remarkable old woman, whose pedestrianising exploits at the Alhambra, in London, excited so much curiosity some weeks ago, on Tuesday commenced a walking match against time at the American Opera House, better known by its old name, "the American Circus," Liverpool. She has undertaken to walk 1000 miles in 1000 consecutive hours. Her course is along an irregular platform round the building, which she traverses 14 times to each mile. Her first mile was performed in 12½ minutes. She is a little, somewhat wizened, but muscular woman, and has the utmost confidence in her ability to complete her task, which will occupy about six weeks in execution.

DOG AND RABBIT GROUNDS, PARR, ST. HELENS.

Sparrow Shooting.—On Monday, November 7, a sparrow-shooting handicap will take place at the above grounds, on the following conditions:—Seven birds each; single guns, 16 yards rise, 40 yards boundary, 1½oz. shot; double guns, 15 yards rise, 40 boundary, 1½oz. shot. Any competitor having previously shot for £10 and upwards to be handicapped according to merit; first prize, £3; second, £1; third, 10s. Entrance, 2s. 6d. each, which must be made on or before one o'clock on the day. Stamps as cash. Admission to the grounds, 3d. each.

ARCHERY.

ROYAL HOVE TOXOPHILITE ASSOCIATION.

The first prize bow meeting of this newly formed society was held on Thursday, in their grounds near the Sussex Hotel, Clifftonville, and well attended. The events commenced at half-past one o'clock, and resulted as follows:—

Ladies.

Greatest gross score, Miss M. Henty, 107, 1st prize, a silver-mounted flower vase; 2nd, Miss J. Ley, 93, a Greek flower stand.

Greatest number of hits, Miss M. Henty, 25, prize, a set of studs and solitaire.

Greatest number of golds, Miss Ley, pair of earrings.

The most central gold, Mrs. Sawyer, gold fan.

The greatest aggregate gross score of "the season," Miss Ley, 726 prize, ornamental taper stand.

Visitors greatest score, Mrs. Fawcett, 65, card case.

Gentlemen.

Greatest gross score, H. Hargood, Esq., 97, prize, a library inkstand.

Greatest number of hits, E. Fawcett, Esq., 15, awarded a porcelain flower pot.

Greatest number of golds, W. H. German, Esq., prize, an inkstand.

The most central gold, Captain Timins, prize, a date rack.

Greatest gross score of "the season," Heckwell Smith, prize, a glass ice well.

Visitors' greatest score, W. Agar, Esq., 99.

Lowest score, F. Dixon, Esq., 21, prize, a wooden spoon, the award of which created much mirth.

The catering was supplied by Mr. H. Jones, of the Sussex Hotel.

BOWLING.

NEWCASTLE.

Andrew Pringle, who has been fortunate in defeating the Champion Thomas Saint, of West Moor, in two matches, contended on the Town Moor on Saturday last, with J. Wood of Gosforth with 30oz. bowls each, once round the convex, nearly two miles, for £20 a side, notwithstanding the miserable state of the weather the ground was passable. Wood was the favourite and he managed to keep the lead until about a quarter of a mile from home, when Pringle got some exceedingly fine throws, for the first time appeared in front, and after a very fine match landed his colours fully half a throw or six at 60 yards in advance.

NURR AND SPELL.

Leeds.—Lister and Kitson.—There was a fair attendance at the Cardigan Arms, Leeds, on Saturday, to witness the nurr and spell match between H. Lister, of Hartshead Moor, and Joseph Kitson, of Southowram, for £25 a-side. The match was well contested, and when they had played twenty-nine rises each the game was even. In the last rise, Lister sent his nurr a score further than Kitson, and thereby won the game.

Lord Glasgow's Brother to Minie and Sister to General Peel, both two year olds, have arrived at John Scott's, and three more yearlings are expected at Whitewall next week.

Hornsey Wood, Tiny Day.—On Saturday last a very handsome silver cup, added to a sweepstakes of 5s. each, three pigeons each, was shot for in the presence of a good company. Barber, as a matter of course supplied the birds, and they were some of his "rippers." The entry included the names of Messrs. Freer, Moore, Davis, Daniels, James, and S. S. After some very good practice, Messrs. S. S. and Davis tied, killing all. They shot off bird for bird, and at the first round Mr. S. S. won. Two sweepstakes, at three birds each, were afterwards got through. For the first, Messrs. Davis and Moore tied, killing two each, and divided. The second was taken by Mr. S. S., who killed all three

CRICKET.

AVERAGE OF THE PLAYERS OF ENGLAND.

The cricketing season of 1864 has been concluded, and we subjoin an epitome of the doings of the professionals. The past summer has been notorious for long scores, not so much from improvement in the batting, but from weak bowling and good wickets. Interest in the game diminishes when the scores extends to such lengths as we have witnessed. The addition of a man on each side would not increase but lessen the total runs, for an extra man in the field compels extra care and caution on the part of the batsman. Surrey has carried on the war with her usual energy and vigour, and under her new captain, Mr. F. Burbidge, has gained a well-deserved success. The performances of her two youngsters, Humphrey and Jupp, as seen from the figures below, entitle them to rank with the first. Unfortunately the breach among the players has not yet been healed, and second-rate elevens still contend in first-class matches. If this continues long, the game may lose the support now so freely accorded by the public. In our list of first-class matches are included such as Surrey *v.* Fourteen of Cambridge University, England *v.* Thirteen of Kent, and Surrey *v.* Fourteen of Hampshire, because the talent engaged in these contests entitles them to the distinction. The following are the individual averages:—

Table I.—Averages in First-class Matches.

	Matches.	Innings.	Runs.	Most in an innings.	Most in a match	Times not out.	Average.	Over.
Anderson, G	6	6	255	99*	114	5	42	3
Atkinson, G	9	10	119	32*	39	3	10	9
Bell, F	5	8	32	11	12	1	4	0
Bennett, G	15	27	481	73	79	0	17	22
Biddulph, S	22	29	311	28*	50	8	10	21
Bignall, T	16	28	382	50	69	1	13	18
Brampton, C	10	19	333	82	102	0	17	10
Cæsar, J	16	28	367	132*	132	2	20	7
Carpenter, R	8	10	270	52	52	1	27	0
Daft, C	8	14	215	46	46	1	15	5
Daft, R	11	19	498	80	95	1	26	4
Ellis, C H	13	17	338	54	62	1	19	10
Fillery, R	8	9	139	40	40	2	15	4
Fryer, W H	10	20	218	65	93	0	10	18
Goodhew, W	11	20	189	52	71	2	9	9
Greenwood, L	5	9	183	65	75	1	20	3
Griffith, G	22	32	613	86*	86*	3	19	5
Grundy, J	23	35	489	36	47	5	13	34
Hayward, D	4	7	83	37	46	0	11	6
Hayward, T	8	12	355	66	66	0	29	7
Hearne, G	8	9	174	72	72	2	19	3
Hearne, T	24	34	809	125	125	4	23	27
Hodgson, I	7	9	55	21	23	3	6	1
Holmes, H	9	15	378	72	105	2	25	3
Humphrey, T	20	34	1047	94	107	1	30	27
Humphrey, W	13	21	207	48	81	3	9	18
Iddison, R	13	22	329	44	55	0	14	21
Jackson, J	10	16	237	68*	79	1	14	13
Jupp, H	21	34	921	110	115	4	27	3
Lillywhite, Jas	13	16	271	105	105	2	16	15
Lillywhite, Jno	9	12	301	64	113	2	25	1
Lockyer, T	18	23	478	108*	108*	3	20	18
Mortlock, W	21	29	988	105	105	0	34	2
Oscroft, W	9	16	246	76	127	0	15	6
Parr, G	2	3	71	35	69	0	23	2
Pooley, E	16	22	489	59	79	2	21	18
Rowbotham, J	12	22	307	57	73	0	13	8
Sewell, T	27	32	576	55	75	10	18	0
Shaw, A	6	9	130	64	70	0	14	4
Shepherd, W	12	11	50	14	18	5	4	6
Sliun, W	6	11	19	11	11	0	1	8
Sotherton, W	9	14	98	22	29	1	7	0
Stevenson, E	10	16	206	29	41	2	12	14
Stephenson, H H	18	25	956	119	143	5	38	6
Stubberfield, H	6	6	74	40	43	1	12	2
Swain, W	4	6	80	27	40	2	13	2
Tarrant, G	8	12	200	57	61	0	16	8
Tinley, R C	9	11	115	16*	21*	5	19	5
Thewlis, J	10	19	349	77	98	1	18	7
Wells, G	10	13	345	82	97	2	26	7
Willsher, E	16	27	288	37*	68	3	10	18
Wootton, G	23	32	375	60	64	10	11	23

Table II.—Average against Odds.

Anderson, G	12	17	192	59	59	3	11	5
Atkinson, G	11	12	116	22	38	6	9	8
Bell, F	7	10	76	22	39	2	7	6
Bennett, G	5	9	89	30	31	0	9	8
Biddulph, S	5	4	60	16	29	3	15	0
Bignall, T	6	8	124	44	44	0	15	4
Cæsar, J	3	4	30	17	27	0	7	2
Carpenter, R	15	23	370	54	54	2	16	2
Clarke, A	10	16	169	34	34	0	6	13
Daft, C	3	5	50	17	22	0	10	0
Daft, R	4	5	58	29	40	0	11	3
Ellis, C H	5	9	177	66	114	0	19	6
Fillery, R	2	3	6	4	4	0	2	0
Greenwood, (3)	4	6	18	9	15	0	3	0
Griffith, C	12	19	262	60	68	0	13	15
Grundy, J	8	11	124	49	49	0	11	3
Hayward, D	11	13	109	20*	37	3	8	5
Hayward, T	15	26	242	35	35	1	9	8
Hearne, G (2)	8	12	200	35	52	5	16	8
Hearne, T	9	14	229	40	50	0	16	5
Hodgson, J (8)	9	16	86	21	26	0	5	6
Holmes, H (1)	2	4	34	23	25	0	8	2
Humphrey, T	10	14	299	67	67	2	21	5
Humphrey, W (1)	4	7	54	24	26	1	7	5
Iddison, R (1)	6	8	175	97*	97*	1	21	7
Jackson, J	12	16	149	46	81	5	9	5
Jupp, H	15	22	315	42	47	2	14	7
Lillywhite, Jas. (1)	8	13	107	38	34	0	8	3
Lillywhite, John	12	18	254	105	105	2	14	2
Lockyer, (1)	8	11	131	34	34	2	11	10
Mortlock, W	9	15	252	74	74	0	16	12
Oscroft, W	3	4	52	37	38	1	13	0
Pooley, E (1)	10	15	236	72	100	2	15	11
Rowbotham, J (2)	16	29	293	48	53	2	10	3
Sewell, T	7	11	90	30	40	1	8	2
Shaw, A	3	4	71	35	35	1	17	3
Shepherd, W	3	2	18	9	9	1	9	0
Sliun, W (6)	6	8	18	10	11	0	2	2
Southerton, W	1	2	15	12	15	0	7	1
Stevenson, E (2)	17	29	272	35	35	0	9	11
Stephenson, H H	3	5	55	15	29	1	11	0
Stubberfield, H	2	2	9	5	5	1	4	1
Swain, W (1)	2	3	35	19	22	0	11	2
Tarrant, G	14	26	257	38	57	0	9	23
Tinley, R C	12	16	109	21	31	4	6	13
Thewlis, J (2)	3	5	114	44	44	0	22	4
Wells, G	4	7	27	11	17	0	3	6
Willsher, E	14	26	172	30	30	1	6	16
Wootton, G	10	12	126	22*	27	4	10	6

The figures after the names show how often the batsmen played for the odds.

Table III.—Averages for the whole season.

	Matches.	Innings.	Runs.	Most in an innings.	Most in a match.	Times not out.	Average.	Over.
Anderson, G	18	23	447	99*	114	8	19	15
Atkinson, G	20	22	335	32*	39	0	15	0
Bell, F	12	18	108	22	39	3	6	0
Bennett, G	20	36	570	73	79	0	15	30
Biddulph, S	27	33	371	28*	50	11	11	8
Bignall, T	22	36	506	50	69	1	14	2
Brampton, C	10	19	333	82	102	0	17	10
Cæsar, J	16	22	397	132*	132*	2	18	1
Carpenter, R	23	33	640	54	54	3	19	13
Clarke, A	10	16	169	34	34	2	6	13
Daft, C	11	19	265	46	46	1	13	18
Daft, R	15	24	556	80	95	1	23	4
Ellis, C H	18	26	510	66	114	1	19	16
Fillery, R	10	12	145	40	40	2	12	1
Fryer, W H	10	20	218	65	93	0	10	18
Goodhew, W	11	20	189	52	71	2	9	9
Greenwood, D	9	15	201	65	75	1	13	6
Griffith, G	34	51	875	86*	86*	3	17	8
Grundy, J	31	46	613	49	49	5	13	15
Hayward, D	15	20	192	37	46	3	9	12
Hayward, T	23	38	557	66	66	1	15	27
Hearne, G	16	21	374	72	72	7	17	17
Hearne, T	33	48	1038	125	125	4	21	30
Hodgson, I	16	25	141	21	26	3	5	16
Holmes, H	11	19	412	72	105	2	21	13
Humphery, T	30	48	1346	94	107	3	28	2
Humphrey, W	17	28	261	48	81	4	9	9
Iddison, R	19	30	504	97*	97*	1	16	24
Jackson, J	22	32	386	68*	84	6	12	2
Jupp, H	36	56	1236	110	151	6	23	4
Lillywhite Jas.	21	29	378	105	105	2	13	1
Lillywhite Jno.	21	30	555	105	113	4	18	15
Lockyer T.	26	34	609	108*	108*	5	17	31
Mortlock W.	30	44	1240	105	105	0	28	8
Oscroft W.	12	20	298	76	127	1	14	18
Parr G.	2	3	71	35	69	0	23	2
Pooley E.	26	37	716	72	100	4	19	13
Rowbotham J.	28	52	600	57	73	2	11	28
Sewell T.	34	43	666	55	75	11	15	21
Shaw A.	9	13	201	64	70	1	15	6
Shepherd W.	15	13	68	14	18	6	5	3
Sliun W.	12	19	37	11	11	0	1	8
Southern W.	10	16	113	22	29	1	7	1
Stevenson E.	27	45	478	35	45	2	10	28
Stevenson H H.	21	30	1011	119	143	6	33	21
Stubberfield H.	8	8	83	40	43	2	10	3
Swain W.	6	9	115	27	40	2	12	7
Tarrant C.	22	38	457	57	61	0	12	1
Tinley R C.	21	27	224	21	31	9	8	8
Thewlis J.	13	24	463	77	98	1	19	7
Wells G.	14	20	372	82	97	2	18	12
Willsher E.	30	53	460	37*	68	4	8	36
Wootton G.	33	44	501	60	64	10	11	17

* The batsman is not debited with the not out innings.

* Signifies not out.

UPPER TOOTING MATCHES, 1864.

Date and Place.	Sides.	1st inn.	2d inn.	Total.
June 2, Clapton	Upper Tooting	84	—	84
	Clapton	86	93	179
Clapton won by two runs on first innings, and lost seven wickets in second innings.				
June 10, Tooting	Upper Tooting	107	2	109
	Streatham	54	54	108
Upper Tooting won by ten wickets.				
June 17, Tooting	Upper Tooting	47	37	84
	St. Bartholomew's Hospital	43	39	82
Upper Tooting won by eight wickets.				
June 23, Dulwich	Upper Tooting	43	63	109
	Dulwich	52	83	135
Dulwich won by 29 runs.				
June 29, Banstead	Upper Tooting	98	92	190
	Banstead	55	46	101
Upper Tooting won by 43 runs on first innings. Banstead lost one wicket in second innings.				
July 7, Tooting	Upper Tooting	70	95	165
	Clapham	138	—	138
Clapham won by 68 runs on first innings.				
July 15, Tooting	Upper Tooting	157	—	157
	Civil Service	73	41	114
Upper Tooting won in one innings and 43 runs.				
July 20, Tooting	Upper Tooting	116	—	116
	Kensington School	40	48	88
Upper Tooting won in one innings and 28 runs.				
July 21, Weybridge	Upper Tooting	89	118	207
	Weybridge	34	85	119
Upper Tooting won by 88 runs.				
July 28, Clapham	Upper Tooting	81	186	267
	Clapham	53	—	53
Upper Tooting won by 28 runs on first innings.				
July 29, Tooting	Upper Tooting	93	64	157
	15 V Division of Police	57	87	154
Upper Tooting won 26 runs on first innings. Police lost eight wickets in second innings.				
Aug. 4, Tooting	Upper Tooting	179	—	179
	Clapton	40	53	93
Upper Tooting won in one innings and 86 runs.				
Aug 10, Tooting	Upper Tooting	53	—	53
	Banstead	83	58	141
Banstead won by 30 runs on first innings, and lost seven wickets in second innings.				
Aug 19, Streatham	Upper Tooting	60	175	235
	Streatham	83	22	105
Streatham won by 23 runs on first innings, and lost three wickets in second innings.				
Aug 24, Balham	Upper Tooting	54	68	122
	Mr. H. Lee's Eleven	169	—	169
Mr. Lee's Eleven won in one innings and 47 runs.				
Aug 30, Epsom	Upper Tooting	114	22	136
	Epsom	80	53	133
Upper Tooting won by seven wickets.				
Sept 7, Tooting	The Club	39	54	93
	The Village (with Shepherd, Harward, and Keep)	53	39	92
The Club won by three wickets (12 on each side). The Club played 17 matches, won 11, lost 6.				

BEAUMONT CLUB MATCHES, 1864.

Date.	Sides.	1st inn.	2d inn.	Total.
May 24	Beaumont	252	—	252
	Castlebar Court, Ealing	70	17	87
Beaumont won in one innings with 165 runs to spare.				
May 28	Beaumont	71	—	71
	Springfield, Putney	50	61	111
Beaumont won by 21 runs on first innings.				
June 6	Beaumont	135	—	135
	X. Y. Z., Lord's Ground	6	58	64
Beaumont won in one innings with 71 runs to spare.				
June 11	Harrow, Northwick	56	69	125
	Beaumont	30	29	59
Harrow won by 26 runs on the first innings. Beaumont lost one wicket in the second innings.				
June 18	Beaumont	133	41	174
	Mornington	94	—	94
Beaumont won by 39 runs on first innings, and lost one wicket in second innings.				
June 25	Beaumont	68	179	247
	Castlebar Court, Ealing	54	—	54
Beaumont won by 14 runs on first innings, and lost seven wickets in second innings.				
July 23	Beaumont	124	—	124
	Springfield	63	—	63
Beaumont won by 61 runs.				
July 30	Beaumont	159	—	159
	Mornington	69	—	69
Beaumont won by 90 runs.				
Aug 31	Beaumont	226	—	226
	Westminster Club	33	55	88
Beaumont won by 193 runs on first innings, and the latter lost seven wickets in second innings.				

PEDESTRIANISM.

CHALLENGES AND DEPOSITS.

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MATCHES TO COME.

OCTOBER.

31, Nov. 1.—All England 185 yards handicap for novices, £23 in money prizes, Hyde Park, Sheffield.
31.—Barnard and Miles—to walk four miles, Barnard to have one minute start, £50 a side, Bromton.
31.—Bayley and Longmore—160 yards, £10 a side, Wall Heath Grounds, Dudley.
31.—Constable and Onions—100 yards, £5 a side, Wall Heath, Dudley.
31.—Atkins and Wardle—440 yards, £25 a side. Burton-on-Trent.
31.—Bayley and Morris—120 yards, £5 a side, Bayley to have a yard start, Wall Heath, Dudley.

NOVEMBER.

5.—Beddow and Mole—200 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
5.—Hearnshaw and Wilkinson—to run a mile, £10 a side, St. George's, Honley.
5 and 7.—All England Handicap, 175 yards, £30 in money prizes, Fenham Park.
5 and 7.—All England Handicap, 145 yards, £20 and other money Prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
7.—Five miles handicap, £50 in money prizes, Hackney Wick.
7.—Jukes and Smith—250 yards, £5 a side, Aston Cross.
7.—Caffery and Whiteley—120 yards. £10 a side, Aston Cross.
7.—Jones and a pony—four miles, £10 a side, Brompton.
7.—Barnes and Mayes—110 yards, £5 a side, Aston Cross.
7.—Middleton and Upton—to run a mile. Middleton having a start of 20 yards £5 a side, Aston Cross.
12.—Dunn and Oliver—to walk two miles, £10 a side, Oliver to have 50 yards start. Bow.
12.—Parker and Sykes—to run a mile, Sykes to have 200 yards start, £10 a side Royal Oak, Manchester.
12.—Collier and Rothwell—440 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
12.—Mole and Nuttall—230 yards, £25 a side, Royal Oak, Manchester.
12 and 19.—Handicap, 440 yards, £10 in money prizes, Warren House, Lindley Moor.
14.—Carter and Thrasher—100 yards, £5 a side, Hyde Park, Fenton.
14.—Bateman and Cooper—170 yards, £10 a side, at the Plough, near Wolverhampton.
14.—Brown and Jones—to run five miles, Brown receiving 220 yards start, £10 a side, Brompton.
19.—Helme and Knott—440 yards, £10 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
19.—West London Rowing Club Athletic Sports, Brompton.
21.—Mordyke and Wardle—440 yards, £20 a side, Mordyke receiving five yards start, Aston Cross.
26.—Sweepstakes of £3 each, with £25 added, distance one mile and 193 yards Royal Oak, Manchester.
26.—Cunliffe and Knott—100 yards, £10 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
26.—Binns and Foster—150 yards, Binns to have three yards start, £25 a side, St. Thomas's, Stanningley.
28.—Handicap race, 125 yards, £20 in money and a belt, Hyde Park, Sheffield.
28, 29.—Handicap race 2·5 yards, £40 in money prizes, Queen's Hotel, Sheffield.
30.—All England handicap race, 235 yards, £40 in money prizes, Queen's Hotel, Sheffield.

DECEMBER.

26 and 27.—All England Handicap—215 yards, £50 in money prizes, Hyde Park.

BROMPTON.

Race between Mansfield and Boatley.—These men met on Monday on Mr. J. Roberts's ground to run 150 yards for £5 a side. H. A. Reed was chosen referee. The men started by consent, and after some few attempts got away, Boatley getting about a yard the best of the start. He maintained the lead at a good pace for about fifty yards when Mansfield came to the front and went in an easy winner.

Race between Childs and Roberts.—These men next came to the mark to contend in a spin of 100 yards for £5 a side, Childs being allowed one yard's start. The betting was 6 to 4 on Childs, who maintained the lead from end to end, and passed the goal the winner of a good race by three yards.

Match between Oliver and Park.—This was a walk of one mile for "a fiver" a side. There was a little or no money speculated. H. A. Reed again officiated as referee. On getting off Oliver took the lead by two yards. When the pedestrians had entered upon the second lap (half a mile), Park broke the rules of fair heel-and-toe walking, and was at once disqualified by the referee. Oliver had merely to finish the remainder of the distance to win.

BOW.

Race between Smith, of Bethnal-green, and Hewit, of Millwall.—The race pending between these pedestrians was a spin of 440 yards for £10 a side, and, pursuant to arrangement, the event was brought to an issue on Saturday last, on Mr. C. Wilson's ground. Hewit had to allow his man a start of two yards; but, notwithstanding this, his friends were so sanguine that in betting they made him the favourite, the tempting odds of 2 to 1 being laid. H. A. Reed was chosen referee, and all the usual preliminaries being adjusted, the competitors came to the mark, when Smith was placed the given distance in front of his opponent. The start had to be made by pistol, and on the requisite signal being given the competitors got away. Although Smith, from his forward position, made the running at a good rate, yet it was evident Hewit was his superior in speed. From the start he rapidly diminished the gap between them, and when 20 yards of the distance had been covered, had so changed their relative positions that Smith had fallen to the rear. The instant Hewit had wrested the front position from his man the interest of the race subsided, as he had no more to do than to finish to make an easy winner of it.

WELCH HARP.

Race between Mr. P. and Mr. W.—These gentlemen amateurs, who are well known among musical professionals, are old opponents, this making the third time they have contended in a spin of 150 yards, for £5 a side and a silver cup. Prior to the present match, which was the "third time of asking," matters stood "trick and tie" between them, each in turn having won, so that the present spin was to be looked upon as that which was to finally settle the mooted question as to superiority in speed. This meeting, as arranged, took place at the Welch Harp, Edgware-road, and brought together a strong muster of the friends of the competitors. Mr. P. was made the favourite at 6 to 4. The competitors had to start by consent, and after some delay they at last got off. The lead was taken by Mr. W., but after maintaining this advantage for about 20 yards his opponent closed up the gap between them, and at a fair pace they ran well together until they had reached to within something like thirty yards of the finish, when Mr. W., to the surprise of his friends, stopped, so that Mr. P., being in undisputed possession of the course, went in an easy winner.

HACKNEY WICK.

Toddy Ray and Steepbrook the Indian.—These grounds were but thinly attended on Monday considering the attraction presented—a fifteen mile match for forty sovs., between the veteran Toddy Ray, whose long distance performances are legion, but who is now verging into "the sere and yellow leaf," and Steepbrook, the Indian of one of the Deerfoot kindred. Amongst those present, however, the affair evidently possessed more than ordinary interest, as was evinced on numberless occasions throughout the match. At four o'clock the men came on the grounds, Toddy, attended by his trainer Goulden, who had his charge under hand at Elm Cottage, Wanstead; while the Indian was accompanied by Sayers, of Bow. To complete the distance, the circuit of the grounds had to be made 103 times. The men were at once despatched on their long journey, Ray retaining his head-gear

the Indian, with his feathers and bells, presenting quite a characteristic appearance. Ray at once went to the front, retaining a lead of a yard and a half. In the fourth lap he threw off his cap, which certainly looked very like business. Both men ran judiciously, husbanding their resources in proportion to the length of the struggle. The first mile was covered in 5 min. 20 sec. In the twelfth lap the "bells and feathers" came to the front, but Toddy quickly reversed their positions again, and increased the gap between whom considerably. In passing the referee in the last lap, when they passed and repassed each other, and he retained to the 21st lap, when they passed and repassed each other, and at length got breast to breast. In the following lap, however, a fine spirt placed the Indian fifteen yards in advance, but the game little Toddy crept up, and passed his man, amidst vociferous cheering. The affair now became intensely exciting. In the twenty-ninth lap the Indian made another fine spirt, and went well away from his opponent, leading by some 30 yards. In the thirty-second lap Toddy's gameness again brought him to the front, the shouts on all sides being of the most encouraging kind. The Indian, who was not in the finest condition, kept continually changing positions, it being either man's race. Here, however, the Indian went to the front, at a clipping place, and gradually, but surely, drew away, until just before passing the referee the 90th time he had lapped Master Toddy, and the race was virtually over. The game little Toddy, however, continued the contest to the 94th lap, when he cried a go. Steepcrock finished out the distance, which he completed, with a rush at the finish, in 1 hour 30 min. 4 sec. Mr. Willey was officiated as referee. There was little or no speculation, evens and 5 to 4 on both men being done to a very limited extent.

MANCHESTER.

Royal Oak Park.—A very large company assembled at this extensive enclosure last Saturday afternoon to witness the sports announced. William Whittaker, of Kirkburton, and Robert Armitage, of Lepton, tried conclusions at 150 yds for £25 a side, Mr. James Holden, junior, officiating as referee. The wagering was 6 to 4 on Armitage. Mr. George Martin (the proprietor), despatched the competitors with an even start, and neither obtained any advantage until about 120 yds had been traversed, when Armitage got slightly in front, but in the struggle at the finish, Whittaker just managed to breast the tape half a yard in advance, and was consequently declared the winner. There was also a match during the afternoon between Edward Lowe, of Whitworth, near Rochdale, and William Schora, of Ashton, the conditions being to wrestle 2 out of 3 back falls, Lancashire style, catch as catch can, for £25 a side, Lowe being confined to 8 score 2lb, and Schora 6 score. A large amount of money was invested, at about 6 to 4 on Schora. John Cross and Joe Acton enquired Lowe, whilst Schora had the services of Bob Ross and a friend, John Meadowcroft being mutually agreed to as referee. The first throw was gained by Lowe in slashing style in the short space of three minutes. After the usual rest hostilities were renewed, when Schora threw his opponent in twenty-seven minutes. The final and decisive fall was gained by Lowe in seven minutes, and he was consequently declared the winner.

Ainscough and Jarrott.—Mr. W. Lang holds £15 each for the match between these men to jump at 3 stand spring jumps for £25 a side, Ainscough having 6 inches given. To take place this (Saturday) afternoon at four o'clock, and the balance to be staked by one o'clock to-day.

Mole and Nuttall.—Mr. George Hardy is in receipt of £10 each for the 230 yds race between these clippers, which takes place on Nov. 12.

City Grounds.—The programme here last Saturday afternoon was an unusually large one, and upwards of 1,300 persons were in attendance. The first contest lay between J. Thomas and W. Manchester, distance 410 yds, for £10 a side, Manchester having 15 yds start inside. Wagering 6 to 4 on Thomas. Step by step the favourite gained upon his man, and a short distance from home put on the steam and won easily by five yards. Mr. William Lang, the well known pedestrian, was stakeholder and referee.

The next was a 100 yds spin for a tenner, between J. Dearden and T. Williams, both of Gorton. Betting: 2 to 1 on Williams, but after a good race the favourite was overthrown, and Dearden won by half a yard. Mr. Peter Waddacor (the proprietor) was stakeholder and referee.

T. Bantoff, of Droylsden, and J. Allen, of Openshaw, then disrobed to run half a mile for £10 a side, Mr. Peter Waddacor being stakeholder and referee. Betting: 2 to 1 on Bantoff. Allen held the premier position till about half the distance, when Bantoff rushed by him and won easily by 10 yards.

Beddow and Mole.—Mr. J. Holden now has £20 each for the match between these men to run 200 yds on Nov. 5, the remainder to be made good prior to the race.

Rothwell and Collier.—The quarter-mile spin between these men for £25 a side progresses satisfactorily. To take place Nov. 12.

(To the Editor of the "Illustrated Sporting News.")

Sir,—Much has been said about the 1,000 miles performance in 1,000 hours, but none appear to get the general credit of doing it but Captain Barclay. I think the reason of that is no heavy amount of speculation has depended upon it since his time, consequently no one has gone to the expense of paying watchmen to see that the performance has been genuine. By the time this impression is issued Miss Somers will have commenced the extraordinary performance at my grounds. The straight quarter of a mile is the ground selected, and I am determined to test whether this performance can be really done or not. I shall employ persons regularly to watch her, and the moment she ceases to walk at the appointed time (should such be the case) such information will be given to the public; and as an inducement to the public to watch for themselves I hereby offer a reward of £50 to any person who can come forward and prove that any deception is being practised. Should, therefore, this lady accomplish the task and no one be able to state to the contrary, I think she as well as Captain Barclay should have the credit awarded. Yours, &c.,

GEORGE MARTIN.

Royal Oak Park, Manchester, Oct. 24.

HIGGINSHAW GROUNDS, OLDHAM.

Mr. Chadwick's enclosure was patronised by nearly 250 admirers of the fleet of foot last Saturday afternoon, the attraction being a foot race, distance 150 yds, between S. Ogden and J. Chadwick, both of Rochdale, for £10 a side. Betting, 6 to 4 on Ogden, who maintained the lead throughout, and won by five yards.

Whitworth and Mills.—For the 120 yds spin between W. Whitworth, of Smallbridge, and Ed. Mills, of Rochdale, £10 a side, Mr. J. Dearden is in receipt of £6 10s a side. The race is fixed for four o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon, and the balance of the money must be staked by twelve o'clock.

NEWCASTLE.

Fenham Park Running Grounds.—Prior to the latter part of last week, it was the topic of some importance that the season so far had been unequalled in the north for scarcity of rain. On Wednesday, however, the atmosphere changed murky, dismal clouds passed over the town, and the rain in a few hours descended too freely to satisfy even those who were loud in their protestations of the dryness of the period a short time previously; the wet continued without intermission, and on Saturday last the few careless of the running faction who visited these grounds certainly came in for the jolliest aqueous reception they encountered and braved during many years. There were five matches announced, the first to take place about 11.30 o'clock. The whole may be summarised as follows:—The first event was between J. Douglas and W. Harper of Camperdown, to run 440 yards, for £10 a side. The latter was the favourite at 6 and 4 to 4, with very little speculation. Harper as soon as the break was the go by, and won in the long run by three or four yards easily. The fourth event by between H. Watson of Choppington, and J. Henderson of North Seaton, to run 150 yards, for £10 a-side. Henderson made the most of the game at the start, he was actually nine feet or so on the journey, when Watson joined the fun, but it turned out to be no amusement to him as he was unable to decrease the gap, Henderson going in as he choosed. The last on the card was the spin of the day, and if there was anything in it, the attendance was larger. The race was for £15 a-side, between R. Williamson of Glasgow and an Unknown of Newcastle, to run 300 yards, the Unknown giving 6 yards start. Mr. Thomas Sutton was referee. We believe the affair was a complete blarney, therefore we will give the running very little notice. The Unknown was the favourite at 6 to 4, but for all the good wishes of his friends he lost miserably by a greater distance than he gave.

MACCLESFIELD.

Bowling Green Inn Grounds.—Saturday last witnessed quite a revival of the love of pedestrianism at these grounds, the attraction being a 400 yards novice handicap for money prizes, a large number of spectators being present. Some excellent sport was afforded, many of the heats being hotly contested. Heat First:—H. Gregory, 15 yds start, first; W. Benson, 23, second: won easily. Heat Second:—G. Dean, 12, Benson giving up in the last round of the grounds. Heat Third:—J. Holland, 20, first; J. Saunders, 18, second; won easily. Heat Fourth:—J. Mellor, H. Hawkins, 19, second; a fine race, won by two feet. Heat Fifth:—J. Harrison, 40, first; J. Griffin, 24, second; W. Holt, 24, third; H. Bellinge, 24, fourth; won by six yards, three yards between second and third, Bellinge a bad fourth. Heat Sixth:—P. Canavan, scratch, first; M. Donnelly, 28, second; a capital race, won by one yard. Seventh Heat:—W. Hollowood, 3, first; H. Harding, Burgess, 12, second; J. Swindells, 18, third; T. Gilman, 20, fourth; H. Harding, 24, fifth; J. Kirkham, 18, sixth. When the half-dozen competitors commenced the race, it reminded us of the start (in miniature) for the Chester Cup. An excellent race was contested, Hollowood coming in first at the goal by six yards, two yards separating second and third, the others all being well up. Eighth Heat:—W. Bowns 20, first; J. Fagan, 25, second. This heat was beautifully contested, the pair being breast to breast when within ten yards of the winning post, when Fagan, being much distressed, came down a burster, leaving Bowns to go in alone. After the preliminary heats had been gone through, two novices entered the arena to contend one mile for a fiver—viz., Joseph Crane and John Ball. Ball led the way for the first two laps, when he was passed by Crane, who continued to lead, and gradually widened the gap between them and his opponent, when Ball gave up in the last lap, being 20 yards in the rear. The successful winners of the trial heats next made their appearance for the deciding heats. G. Dean, first; W. Hollowood, second; F. Mellor, third; T. Holland, absent; a well contested, won by four yards. Second Heat: P. Canavan and P. Hall run a dead heat. Greenwood and Bowns did not put in an appearance. The Final Heat was therefore left to Hall, Canavan, and Dean, when a splendid race resulted, the trio finishing in a cluster, Canavan being first by a quarter of a yard, Hall and Dean being declared a dead heat, divided second and third prizes. It was dusk at the termination of the sports. Mr. P. Rawlinson filled the office of referee.

BIRMINGHAM.

W. Upton and E. Middleton, both of Birmingham, are matched to run one mile over the Aston Cross new grounds for £5 a side (Middleton receiving 20 yds start). To come off on Monday, Nov. 7, Tom Cooper, of the Market Hall Tavern, Bell-street, stakeholder.

S. Bateman, of Wolverhampton, and C. Cooper, of New Invention. These district men have signed articles to run 170 yds for £10 a side, at the Plough Tavern, Galley, near Wolverhampton, on Monday, Nov. 14th. Mr. Davis, of the Black Horse Inn, Wolverhampton, to be final stakeholder and referee.

Dick Cudgington, of London, now on a flying visit to Birmingham, being in want of a job, will run Walthman, of Coventry, six score yards, with two yards start, for £10 or £15 a side, and run at Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham. A deposit sent to Mr. Clulee, the proprietor of the "Cross," will ensure a match.

T. Price, of Tipton, can be matched to run S. Hodgkiss, of Ladymoor, six score yards at Aston Cross Grounds, for £10 or £15 a side. To run in two months from signing articles. Man and money ready at any time during the ensuing week at Mr. Thompson's, Butcher's Arms, Tipton.

A. Atkins, of Leicester, and W. Warder (alias Waldron), of Birmingham.—This deferred ½-mile race will be run on Monday next, at Burton-on-Trent, and is exciting extraordinary interest. The vexed question of referee has been nicely adjusted, Mr. C. Bolton, of Birmingham, having been mutually accepted.

Wall Heath Grounds, Dudley.—The 160 yds spin for £10 a-side, between T. Longmore, of Tivedale, and G. Bayley, of Oldbury, is fixed to come off at the above grounds, on Monday next, Oct. 31st. To be on the score, between one and three o'clock. Mr. Challingworth, of Dudley, is agreed to as stakeholder and referee, a sufficient guarantee of the genuineness of the match.

On the same day, at the same place, S. Bayley, of West Bromwich, and E. Morris, of Tipton, contend in a six score yds race, for £5 a-side, Morris giving his opponent a yard start. Mr. T. Pitt, of West Bromwich, final stakeholder.

LIVERPOOL.

Corloran and Campbell.—On Friday the 21st instant, the road between Bromhor Pool and Rock Ferry, notwithstanding the heavy rains, was lined with pedestrians to witness the mile race for £20, between Thomas Corloran, alias the "Gorilla," and John Campbell, both of Liverpool. Three o'clock was the hour appointed for starting, shortly after which both competitors appeared for racing gear accompanied by their respective attendants. On a start being effected both dashed off at a clipping pace, each doing his utmost to cut the other down; during the first half mile they kept very close company. At this point, however, Campbell hung out signals of distress which Corloran turned to good account, as he gradually crept away, and eventually won by about 50 yards with apparent ease. This is the second appearance of Corloran in public over this distance, and on both occasions he has had but little difficulty in bearing off the palm of victory, and there can be no doubt but that he will prove a tough customer to any local "pad" who may have the temerity to throw down the gauntlet to him.

Powis and Evans.—At the Strawberry Gardens on Saturday last there was but a meagre attendance to witness the 150 yards race, for £25 a side, between J. Powis of Birkenhead, and E. Evans of Shrewsbury, the former receiving five yards start inside. Half past four was the time announced for the race to come off, but it was after five before the men appeared at scratch. The final stakeholder, "bung" from the Cheshire side of the Mersey, having been appointed referee, and a pistol fire having also been selected, the men were despatched on their journey. Powis obtaining a decided advantage in addition to the five yards allowed. The race admits of no comment, as Powis won by about six yards. Betting, 2 to 1 and 5 to 2 freely offered on Powis.

WARREN HOUSE INN, LINDLEY MOOR.

Saturday, October 22.—Upwards of 300 persons assembled here this after noon to witness the race of 200 yards, for £20 a side, between J. Wood's Lady, of Huddersfield, and J. Rushworth's Pink, of Ralstrick, the heariest dog to give two yards and a half to the pound. Lady to receive 4 yards 20 in. start The betting was 2 to 1 on Lady, who won by three yards.

A France, of Horley, and J. Bentley, of Ralstrick, are matched to run one mile, for £20 a side, at the grounds, on Saturday, December 17, £2 10s. a side is now down in the hands of Mr. J. Dalton, of Huddersfield, who is to be final stakeholder, and Mr. J. Crowe has been appointed referee.

Canine.—The match between J. Wood's Lady and W. Smith's Skip is off, Skip having forfeited.

LEEDS AND NEIGHBOURHOOD.

Thompson and Carter.—There was a large attendance at the Victoria Race grounds, Leeds, on Saturday, to witness the 140 yards race between D. Thompson, of Dewsbury, and J. Carter, of Gomersall, for £15 a-side. The betting opened at 5 to 4 and closed at 2 to 1 on Thompson. After several attempts, the men made an even start, when a good race followed, which was won by Thompson, finishing about half a yard in front of his man.

FENHAM.

The following races will be run off here to-day (Saturday), at 11 o'clock: J. Carr, Portobello, and G. Humphrey, Birtley, 70 yds, £20, at 12 o'clock; D. Burton and J. Wales, of Uswarth, 100 yds, £20, at 1 o'clock; J. Todd and Wetherley, of Seaham, 440 yds, £50, at 2 o'clock; J. Trippett and H. Armstrong, one mile, for £20, at 3 o'clock; W. Bell, Felling, and J. Morton, of Jarrow, half-a-mile, for £30, at 4 oclock; T. Carrick and J. Blyth, South Shields, 120 yds, £20. The fullest particulars of the above interesting matches in our next.

SWIMMING.

SWIMMING MATCHES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(To the Editor of the "Illustrated Sporting News.")

Sir,—The thanks of the whole swimming world are due to you for the great pains you have taken to encourage the art of natation, an art which, I am grieved to say, a great number of people are utterly deficient in. Every day the papers are filled with accounts of "a sad death from drowning," and of boats being upset and every soul in them perishing, and they all happen from people not being able to swim. I believe Eton is the only public school where boys are not allowed to go in a boat till they have passed a swimming examination, and the consequence is that not one single accident has happened there for five years. I cannot say the same for other schools, though I believe Henley and Westminster are exceptions. What I say is this, let the public schools have swimming matches among themselves, just as they do cricket matches, this would encourage the art immensely, and would tend to capital results. Hoping that you take the same view of the case,

I remain, sir, yours, &c.,

GEORGE DUNKELLIN.

13, Halkins Street, Tuesday.

LOCKWOOD AND HUDDERSFIELD SWIMMING CLUB.

On Thursday evening the members of the above club gave their last entertainment of the season at the Lockwood baths, when a number of prizes were competed for, consisting of silver medals, gold pins and scarf rings, gold and silver pencil cases, pocket knives, &c. The display of aquatic skill excited great interest, and the area was well filled with spectators. The public is very much indebted to the members of the club for giving these entertainments, which are quite novel in this district, and which are fostered by a number of gentlemen who desire to see the art of swimming more general, and which, under their influence is becoming more popular. The bath is about 18 yds in length.

The winning heats of the first race for 3rd class swimmers was 4 lengths, and was won by W. Hanson; 2nd Greenwood.

For 2nd class swimmers 6 lengths. Appleton, 1st; Bottom, 2nd; and Armitage 3rd.

For the more advanced swimmers the distance was 8 lengths, or 140 yds, and the trial heats were well contested. The final heat was won by G. Schofield and A. Bradley, coming in in the order named, the winner doing the distance in 2 minutes 5 seconds, which was good, as he is only a swimmer of two seasons, and has a lengthy and powerful quick side stroke, with the proper action of the knees.

The Hurdle Race was also 8 lengths, and was won by W. Wilson easily; Booth, 2nd; and Taylor 3rd.

The Consolation Stakes, 4 lengths, were won by Booth and Kilner respectively.

The diving contest was especially worthy of remark, Wilson distinguishing himself and taking the first prize, Beaumont 2nd, for picking up the greatest number of pieces of marble from the bottom. Wilson, the first dive, remaining under water 65 seconds, and coming up with 18 pieces in his hands, mouth, and in his armpits. Mr Hirst took the prize for doing the length of the bath at two strokes. The captaincy was not contested, and Mr. Dow (the present captain) swam over the course (20 lengths) without opposition.

Master T. R. Wood, quite a child, undressed in deep water, and astonished the uninitiated.

Various members exhibited their power over the water in ornamental swimming, floating, diving, swimming backwards, &c. The vice-president made the long plunge of 53 feet, the whole concluded with walking the pole, which caused considerable amusement and gave general satisfaction.

E. B. Mather begs to inform the public that he challenged Meakin some time before he either left his trainers or went to work in the presence of Johnson and a number of gentlemen, who can vouch for the truth of this statement, and, at the same time, posted a tenner. However, sooner than leave Meakin a chance of avoiding him under a pretence, or letting it be supposed he wishes to take advantage of Meakin's position in life, he will make a match to swim in a month for £50 a side, and tie himself to work at the bench or vice from six till six up to the night of the race. Although it is some years since he had occasion to do any manual labour, E. B. M. thinks this as fair an offer as possible, and one that Meakin will accept, unless he is either frightened or wants a little relaxation at the expense of backers. The match can be made any night during the week at the Leaf-street Baths

COURSING.

COURSING FIXTURES FOR 1864.

PLACE.	JUDGE.	MEETINGS.
OCTOBER.		
Middle, Salop	Mr. Warwick	31
NOVEMBER.		
Combermere, Cheshire	Mr. Miler	1
Malton, Yorkshire	Mr. E. Spafford	1, 2, 3
Cardington, Bedfordshire	Mr. Warwick	1 & fol. days
County Louth Club, Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	2, 3
Ridgway Club, Cheshire	Mr. Bennett	2 & fol. days
Brough & Catterick (Open), Yorkshire	Mr. J. Hay	2, 3
Baldock Club, Herts	Mr. Warwick	4, 3
White Horse Club, Berks	Mr. Thomas	3, 4,
Mablethorpe, Lincolnshire	Mr. E. Spafford	4
Essendine, Rutlandshire	Mr. E. Spafford	7
Everleigh Club, Wiltshire	Mr. Thomas	8, 9
Brougham & Winfell, Westmoreland	Mr. A. Bennett	8, 9
Coquetdale, Northumberland	Mr. Warwick	8 & fol. days
Marham, Norfolk	Mr. E. Spafford	9 & fol. days
Cork Southern Club (Killady Hill), Ireland	Mr. Hawkes	8 & fol. days
2d South Lancashire		9, 10
Ardrossan Club (Auchans), Ayrshire	Mr. Green	10
Amicable Club (Home Park), Middlesex	Mr. Warwick	11, 12
Letton, Herefordshire	Mr. Warwick	15
Tarleton (Open), Lancashire	Mr. S. Nightingale	16
Tadcaster, Yorkshire	Mr. J. Hay	16, 17
Huntingdonshire Club, Huntingdonshire	Mr. Warwick	16, 17
Tattershall (Open) Lincolnshire	Mr. E. Spafford	16 & fol. days
Altcar Club, Lancashire	Mr. R. Westropp	16, 17, 18
Spiddal Club, Ireland		17 & fol. days
Ware Club, Norfolk	Mr. E. Spafford	21, 22
Metropolitan Clubs Champion, Middlesex	Mr. Warwick	22, 23
Jed Forest Club		23 & fol. days
Somercotes, Lincolnshire	Mr. E. Spafford	24
West Herefordshire, Herefordshire	Mr. Warwick	24, 25, 26
Scottish National Autumn (Club)	Mr. Hay	28
Newmarket, Cambridgeshire	Mr. Warwick	29 & fol. day
Bridekirk, Cumberland	Mr. Dalzell	29, 30
Diamor Club	Mr. R. Westropp	30 & fol. days
DECEMBER.		
Sudbury, Derbyshire	Mr. Warwick	6, 7
Ridgway Club, Lancashire		7 & fol. days
Monasterevan, Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	7 & fol. days
Amicable Club (Southminster), Essex	Mr. Warwick	8, 9
Morville (Bridgenorth) Salop	Mr. Cherrington	13
West Teviotdale Club, Roxburghshire	Mr. Charlton	13 & fol. days
Elm, Cambridgeshire	Mr. E. Spafford	13, 14
Baldock (Open), Herts	Mr. Warwick	13, 14, 15
Hesketh Bank (Open), Lancashire	Mr. A. Bennett	14, 15
Ardrossan (Sharpnill), Ayrshire	Mr. Green	15
Spelthorne Club	Mr. Warwick	16, 17
Kenilworth, Warwickshire		20, 21
Ripon, Yorkshire	Mr. Warwick	20, 21
Ince Blundell (Open), Lancashire	Mr. Warwick	27, 28
Sundorne, Salop	Mr. Warwick	29, 30
JANUARY, 1865.		
Spelthorne Club	Mr. Warwick	3, 4
Third South, Lancashire		3, 4, 5
County Louth Club, Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	4, 5
Coole (Cork), Ireland		11 & fol. days
Amicable Club (Home Park), Middlesex	Mr. Warwick	19, 20
Scarborough, Yorkshire		25, 26, 27
Cardington, Bedfordshire	Mr. Warwick	31 & fol. days
FEBRUARY.		
Ridgway Club, Lancashire		1 & fol. days
Diamor Club	Mr. R. Westropp	1, 2
Spelthorne Club	Mr. Warwick	4, 5, 6
Baldock Club, Herts	Mr. Warwick	8, 9
Ardrossan (Sharpnill), Ayrshire	Mr. Green	9
Waterloo, Lancashire		17, 18, 19
County Louth Club, Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	22, 23
MARCH.		
Diamor Club	Mr. R. Westropp	7 & fol. days
County Louth Club (Champion), Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	15 & fol. days
Scottish National Spring (Open)		21
APRIL.		
County Louth Club (Sapling), Ireland	Mr. R. Westropp	19
OCTOBER.		
Ancaster & Willoughby, Lincolnshire	Mr. E. Spafford	2

SHEFFIELD AND NEIGHBOURHOOD.

Rabbit Coursing at Newhall Gardens.—On Monday, at these gardens, Mr. J. Phœnix, Ball Inn, Pond-street, gave £3 10s to be coursed for by dogs of all sizes—first prize, £2 10s; second, 15s; third, 5s. Entrance, 3s each; dogs not exceeding 17½in, 2s each; the rabbit allowed 55 yards' law. The attendance was excellent, and the entry consisted of forty dogs. After some good coursing, the first prize was won by Howe's Spot, second by Rocking's Polly, and third by Stale's Wizard. Mr. J. Rodgers officiated as referee. Mr. Phœnix decided on the previous Monday to make a present to the owner of the first dog which won the first two prizes in his sweepstakes. Hall's Vic and Howe's Spot have now each won once.

RABBIT COURSING.

Royal Oak Park, Manchester.—There was only a limited attendance at this enclosure last Friday afternoon to witness the match between Hibbert's Danger and Riley's Mischief. The run; 8 out of 15 courses, 60 yards law, for a tenner. The wagering ruled at evens. Danger won the contest, having caught eight rabbits, whilst Mischief only secured six. Referee, Mr. George Martin (the Proprietor). On Monday afternoon upwards of 500 persons paid the admission fee to witness the match between B. Shaw's Luce, of Ashton, and W. Proudman's Nip, of Manchester, to run the best of 25 courses, 60 yards law, for £25 a side. Betting 6 to 4 on Luce, which caught 13 to Nip's 10, and consequently won the match. Referee, Mr. Charles Eastwood, of Rochdale.

Lucy and Gip.—For the match between J. Williamson's Lucy, of Openshaw, and Fielding's Gip, of Balshaw Moor, to run 11 out of 21 courses, for £20 a side, on Nov. 19. Mr. J. Holden is in receipt of £2 10s. each.

Mischief and Alice.—W. Tain's Mischief, of Stockport, and J. Holt's Alice, of Bury, are engaged to run 11 out of 21 courses for £10 a side, on Nov. 16. Mr. Martin has 50s. each.

THE RING.

CHALLENGES AND DEPOSITS.

**** The Proprietors of this Paper will feel obliged by the earliest information of all challenges being sent to our office, 162, Fleet-street. The Proprietors also beg to intimate that they will be happy to become* STAKEHOLDERS, *and that all* DEPOSITS must be sent to 162, Fleet-street, *which will be immediately acknowledged through the columns of this paper, and will be paid over to the winners with as little delay as possible. The Proprietors will hold themselves* personally responsible for all Deposits *forwarded to them.*

FIGHTS TO COME.

NOVEMBER.

1. Bos Tyler and George Crockett—£50 to £25, London.

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3. Marsden and Wormald—£200 a side and the Champion's Belt, London.

FEBRUARY.

16. Jack Rooke and Tom Kelly—£100 a side, London.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

WORMALD AND MARSDEN.—In this exciting affair, a fresh deposit was made on Thursday last, at Goodson's, Metropolitan Railway Tavern, Great Saffron-hill. The proceedings were of a strictly formal character.

THREE SLASHING FIGHTS IN THE MANCHESTER DISTRICT.

Three fights in one ring is a rare occurrence in the Home Circuit, but still more so in the provinces. Such was the fact, however, in the Manchester Circuit last Wednesday, the 26th inst., and we are happy to say that everything passed off so comfortably on that occasion that the Ring may safely be considered as revived in the Cotton Metropolis, where, unfortunately, it has been on the decline for some time. The first and principal event was a match between Bill Ingram and Ned Evans, both of Manchester, for £25 a-side, and neither man to exceed 8st. 6lbs. Immediately after the engagement, both men went into active training, and as the battle drew near, the partisans of each man became confident of victory. William Ingram is 27 yrs. of age, 5 ft. 3 in. in height, and first saw the light at Stoke Newington, in the modern Babylon. His knowledge of the gentle art was acquired at old Jemmy Shaw's well-known sporting drum. He was backed from Mr. William Fox's, Hare and Hounds, Ancoats-street, Manchester, where he took his breathings under the supervision of Bob Dackem. Bill's flag of war was a neat silk handkerchief, of mauve ground, and light-coloured border. The subject of these remarks has never previously figured in any affair of note, beyond some minor off-hand affairs. Edward Evans is a joiner by trade, and hails from Ardwick, near Manchester. In altitude he is 5 feet 4½ inches, and is 22 years of age. His only previous performance was with Jack Taylor, of Ardwick, whom he defeated on the 10th of October, 1863, in 38 rounds, occupying 42 minutes, for £10 a side. He took up his quarters at Jack Booth's, the King's Arms, Newton-heath, and took his gallops at the Royal Oak Park, close by, under the superintendence of Jack himself. His colours were a beautiful silk kerchief of tartan plaid.

Mr. George Hardy, of the central rendezvous, the Rising Sun, Swan-street, Manchester, was the final stakeholder, and at that hostelrie the ceremony of weighing took place on Tuesday, between 12 and 2. Evans weighed 8st 5½lb; but Ingram only pulled down 8st 1lb. We may mention that the final stakeholder received a polite missive from the superintendent of the Barnsley police—that if the parties attempted to fight at the old trysting spot, Dunford-bridge, he should be prepared with a sufficient force to spoil the sport and apprehend the persons engaged in breaking the peace. The toss for choice of ground was deferred till midnight, so as to keep the affair as quiet as possible, and Evans having won, named Fiddlers' Ferry, on the shore of the Mersey, the favourite *locale* of the Liverpool fancy, not entirely new to the Manchester division. The next morning the principals and their friends took their departure from the London-road railway station by the eight o'clock Parliamentary. There was a large gathering, amongst which we noticed several celebrated and well-known tonsisers, and one of the leading pedestrians. A pleasant ride brought us to the appointed place, when the services of the ferry-boats were put into requisition and a descent made upon the Cheshire side of the River Mersey. The veteran commissary, Swankey Greaves, soon formed a ring on a splendid piece of Nature's carpet, and in a quiet, secluded spot. Evans was the first to shy his head gear within the confines of discord, having for his attendants two celebrated hugs who happened to be on a visit; Ingram quickly followed, esquired by two friends. The toss for corners was won by Evans, but there was no advantage to be gained. Betting, 2 to 1 on Evans.

The toilettes of the men were soon completed, and a well-known expugilist having consented to act as referee, the gladiators were delivered on the scratch at 56 minutes past 10 o'clock for

THE FIGHT.

Round 1—Both men were in splendid condition, but there was a great disparity in their structure. Evans is rather of a lathy build, but Ingram is a chubby, compact, and well-built little fellow, with very broad shoulders. Bill came up as lively as a kitten, and brimful of confidence, whilst his opponent was somewhat slow in his movements, but at the same time, somewhat cautious. After the usual amount of feeling each other, Ingram landed a light one on the forehead, and jumped back out of danger; he then invested in the belly twice in succession, Evans's left duke going over his shoulder. Tedious sparring, when Bill, having got his man within range, repeated the pile-driver in the belly, when Evans rushed to a close, and, after some good half-arm hitting, both were down.

Round 2—Ingram had a cut over the left eye, from which the claret was flowing freely, first blood being thus decided in Ned's favour. After a little fiddling Evans visited the left eye by way of improving the claret; Ingram was rather riled, and rushed at his man, but was again met with a hot-un on the old spot, which forced him down to avoid further difficulties.

Round 3—Both quick and eager for business. Close and merry fibbing to the ropes, resulting in both being down, Evans under.

Round 4—Ingram tried his left at the face, but was neatly stopped; Bill tried again, but it was no go, after which they clasped each other by the neck, and both down, Ingram under.

Round 5—This was a rattling bout. No sooner did they face each other than Ingram got all over Ned's dial with both hands, ultimately fighting him down.

Round 6—Ingram up first, looking vicious—Bill on the face and then on the body, without a return—sparring and close, both being down.

Round 7—Ingram up first, eager for business. On getting together Bill got the hug on with his left arm, and twisted Evans down and falling on him.

Round 8—Ingram on the body and Evans on the frontispiece, till both were down side by side.

Round 9—Little time was lost in sparring, as they rushed to infighting. Evans investing on the side of the cranium, and receiving his change in the body. Both down, Ingram under.

Round 10—Good counters on the physog till both were down.

Round 11—Ingram on the body, Evans on the old sore over the left eye. Close and both down.

Round 12—Good exchanges on the face. In the struggle for the fall both fell, and rolled over each other.

Round 13—On getting his man within gunshot Bill let go the painter bang on the nose, cutting it across. Master Edward, not liking the visitation, bored in with both hands, and both were down at the ropes, Evans's head coming in contact with the middle stake.

Round 14—There was a marked change in this round as Evans got well home on Ingram's face, the latter getting down to avoid.

Round 15—Ding dong exchanges all in favour of Evans, Ingram down.

Round 16—Evans visited the old wound over the left eye, drawing a fresh supply of claret, Ingram rushed in and both were down.

Round 17—Little damage done on either side.

Round 18—Ingram landed a tremendous cross counter on the mug with his right, which completely bewildered Evans, who reeled like a drunken man to the ropes and fell; uproarious shouting from Ingram's corner.

Round 19—Evans came up quite groggy and got down as soon as possible.

Round 20—As soon as Ned scratched, Ingram delivered a flush hit on the nose, sending Evans to grass.

Round 21—Evans seeing he held the trump card, forced the fighting, and immediately rushed to a close, exchanges on the side of the head, both being down at the finish.

Rounds 22, 23, and 24.—These were all of one description, Evans was all abroad from the effects of the 18th round, and got down each round.

Round 25—By the careful nursing of his seconds, Evans began to revive, and pulling himself together, got on Ingram's left eye, close and both down.

Round 26—Evans improving stopped Ingram's left very prettily. Good fighting with both hands all over the ring. Ingram down.

Round 27—Exchanges in the face and Ingram slipped down on his knees but jumped up again and renewed the round. Good fighting and both down.

Round 28—Evans came up quite weak, and Ingram succeeded in stabbing him several times on the face. Ned rushed at Bill, and both were down.

Round 29—Evans made a final effort, and the pair stood toe to toe, and punched away till Evans fell through weakness.

Rounds 30 to 37 and last—It would be a waste of space to particularize these rounds. Evans never recovered, but kept getting weaker, whilst Ingram was almost as strong as at the commencement. In the last round Ingram delivered his left with stinging severity in the face, and poor Evans fell back insensible. His friends seeing he had no chance humanely threw up the sponge in token of defeat, after the fight had lasted exactly 40 minutes.

REMARKS.

It will be seen from the description given above that both men are thorough game ones. There can be no doubt the best man won, although due allowance must be made for the accidental blow in the 18th round. Although defeated, Evans is not disgraced, for he fought as long as nature would allow. He was much cut up at his defeat, and shed tears of mortification. The winner made a collection for his vanquished foe, which we hope will be increased with a bumping benefit. The fact that not a single appeal was made during the fight speaks highly in favour of both men. After the Ring was cleared, Bob Dackem, Ingram's trainer, and James Skipton, alias Stiff-un, of Norwich, put up their hands to fight at catch weight for a tenner. Dackem is 27 yrs. of age, 5 ft. 7½ ins. in height, and weighed about 9 st 10 lbs.; he was also backed from Bill Fox's. Stiff-un is 26 yrs. old, weighs 8 st. 12 lbs., and stands 5 ft. 3¾ in in height. Beat Webb of Norwich for a fiver: 42 rounds, 1 hour 35 mins., March 1860; beat Jem Pitman, £5 a-side, 116 rounds, 2 hrs. 50 mins., 21st January, 1861; beaten by Jack Hartley, £10 a-side, 82 rounds, 2 hrs. 35 mins., 3rd January, 1862; and received £9 forfeit from Bill Boweape, of London; he was backed from Jno. Hartley's, Rifleman, Munday-street, Long Millgate, Manchester, and was trainedby Punch. We omit the names of the seconds and referee for prudential reasons. This was a real slogging ding dong battle, but Stiff-un was overmatched both in height, weight, and length of reach. Although the chances were against him he struggled manfully for victory, till, at the expiration of 27 rounds, occupying 1 hour and 10 minutes, he was compelled to cry a go.

The remaining pair of operators were Dick Johnson and Alec Stewart, for £5 a side, at catch weight. Johnson is 24 years old, 9 stone in weight, and stands 5ft 6¾in. He was also backed from Mr. Hartley's, and trained by the well-known Jack McGrath's Punch. Stewart is 20 years of age, height 5ft 6in, and weighs about 9st 6lb. He also hailed from Mr. Fox's. After fighting 1 hour and 40 minutes with pretty nearly equal effect, the police made their appearance, and hostilities were suspended. It was arranged the men should meet at the final stakeholder's at 11 o'clock the same night, but Johnson was taken by the police on his journey home. Here the matter rests at present.

GAME CONTEST IN THE NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.

ROSE OF NOTTINGHAM, AND SALMON OF MANSFIELD, AT CATCHWEIGHT FOR £50.

This deferred match has at length been brought off satisfactorily. It will be remembered by our readers that the original fixture for this Midland encounter was in September, when the men met, but owing to the usual difficulty, that of choosing a referee acceptable to both parties, and the appearance of the police, the affair was broken off for the nonce; but both lads being anxious to meet in honourable rivalry, after some five weeks' delay they settled preliminaries amicably and agreed on a referee last week. As we before stated Rose has figured in the P. R, having defeated Manning, of Bristol, and lately met Tom Allen, of Birmingham, at whose hands he suffered a reverse, partly accounted for by his bad condition. He is now in his 25th year, and stands 5ft 6in, and weighed on the morning of Wednesday close on 11½ stone. The present is Salmon's first encounter within the ropes, although he contended some length of time since with Young Bendoff, of Manchester, for a small stake. He is a well-built, civil lad, 25 years of age, matched to a shade in height with his opponent. He was decidedly in far better form, and looked fit to fight for a kingdom. A move was made for Lindrick Common, four miles from Worksop, Yorkshire, the principals having gone into the neighbourhood over night. After a long and tedious drive of upwards of 30 miles we met them at the appointed place about 8 30 a.m., when, to the annoyance of all, neither ropes nor stakes were forthcoming, but as this was the second meeting the men agreed to fight without. Accordingly, all being in readiness, at 8 50 a.m. they faced each other, betting ruling at 5 to 4 on Rose.

THE FIGHT.

Round 1—Commenced with a short spar, Rose leading off on the mouth, then a little cautious, but simultaneously both got on the body. Rose next landing on neck and fighting Salmon down.

Round 2—Rose drew first blood with a sharp crack on the nose, both down together, Rose uppermost.

Round 3—Rose got on nose slightly without return. Salmonmissed a smart upper cut on throat, Salmon countering it tremendously on upper lip, and cutting it badly.

Round 4 and 5—Salmon was short in leading off, in the former Rose lands an upper cut on the phiz. Salmon retaliating slightly on the ribs. Rose again got on a heavy blow on the ribs, leaving unmistakeable marks of punishment. Salmon now bleeding profusely.

Round 6 and 7—Both pegged away on the head, Rose paying particular attention to the nose of his opponent.

Round 8 9 and 10—Salmon covered with gore, Rose got twice on mouth, and again on the nose, Salmon retaliated severely, hit on the ribs.

Round 11, 12, and 13—Salmon short and thrown heavily each time, Rose landing on ribs, nose, and left eye, and getting away. Salmon got on the body at the finish.

Round 14—Rose again on left eye, Salmon returns on the ear, and after a sharp blow on the right eye, down to avoid.

Round 15—Both on ribs and face, when some sharp blows were exchanged, Rose sending in a right-hander knocks his man of his pins. First knock down blow claimed and allowed for Rose.

Round 16—Salmon gets heavily on ribs twice. Rose, forcing the pace, lands on eyes and nose in succession, drawing the claret. From last blow Salmon comes to grief.

Round 17—£2 to £1 offered on Rose. In this round Salmon revived, getting sharply on Rose's neck and side of the head—Rose returns one two on neck; after which Salmon gave Rose the back heel.

Round 18, 19, 20, and 21—Nothing but wild rallies, Salmon being short in his deliveries. Fast fighting in favour of Rose.

Round 22—Both blown and spar for wind for five minutes, Rose hitting twice on forehead, then on left eye and mouth, Salmon exchanging on ribs, but miserably short, being wildly essayed.

Round 23—Rose lands a tremendous blow on ribs, which resounded on all sides.

Rounds 24, 25, and 26—Salmon led off twice, but short each time, and got cross-countered nicely on ribs; Salmon fought down.

Round 27—Fighting now on equal terms; Rose's left hand being gone, both short in exchanges, and rather wild, Salmon throwing Rose back heel.

Rounds 28 and 29—Rose planted a fearful smash on left jaw; Salmon short at ribs; Rose floored him with a straight shot on the nose.

Round 30—Salmon hits heavily under Rose's ribs; then Rose attempts an upper cut; Salmon swerved, and caught it on his ribs in falling; series of foul.

Round 31—Rose got the upper cut, and knocked the Mansfielder clean off his pins.

Rounds 32 to 35—Salmon begins to hit wildly; Rose forced the fighting, Salmon falling every time.

Round 36—Rose ran his man round, and Salmon fell without a blow. Referee appealed to; fiat "Fight on;" indeed it was "china to an orange" on Rose.

Round 37—Salmon knocked down with a blow on the forehead.

Round 38—Very bustling—Salmon fought down.

Round 39 to 41—Rose floored his man in each round.

Round 42—Salmon went down without a blow.

Round 43—Salmon again repeated the tumbling process.

Round 44—Salmon knocked down by a blow on the ribs.

Round 45—Rose followed his man again, and floored him.

Round 46 and last—Salmon retreated to the hill, Rose following him, visited the ribs and drove him a couple of yards, where he lay insensible. The sponge was then thrown up, and Rose hailed the winner. Time, 1 hour 35 min.

Salmon is fearfully punished—his left eye completely gone, right damaged, throat swollen, and much bruised on the body—and had to be carried from the ground.

Rose's punishment principally confine themselves to a damaged eye, top lip cut, his left hand gone, and right much damaged.

Rose was seconded by Tom Allen and H. Savage; Salmon by David Thompson and George Maude, from Sheffield.

FATAL FIGHT IN THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT.

A number of the pugilistic fraternity of Sheffield, met in the Old Park Wood at 6 o'clock last Sunday morning, to witness two contests between men who had agreed to fight for small sums of money. The ring was formed, and the fraternity gloated over the hard smashing blows which were dealt by the first pair of combatants, who struck away at each other with such terrific violence as to make their blows echo amongst the trees by which they were surrounded. When this fight was brought to a close, another for a sovereign a side was started between two young fellows named J. Dawes, of Elden-street, crinoline steel roller, and a stiffly-built antagonist named Wm. Horne, cutler, Bailey-lane. The combatants on stepping into the ring stripped in the good old pugilistic style, and had good seconds to wait on them, whose names we withhold from prudential motives. The mill had continued about 20 minutes, the pugilists were sitting on their seconds' knees, when time was called—Horne stood at once up to the call, but Dawes seemed to have some difficulty in complying. He made an effort however to get upon his legs, and as soon as he succeeded he fell upon the ground in an insensible condition. He was promptly attended by his seconds and others, and as he appeared in a dying state, a surgeon was immediately sent for. Before the arrival of the medical man Dawes had ceased to live, and his body was carried to the house of Mr. Thompson, The Bay Horse, Pitsmoor, where it awaits an inquest. It seems that Dawes had been engaged in several previous encounters, and that he had no very strong desire that this contest should take place. But he consented to meet his opponent, and try which was the better man. Whilst talking to his companions in reference to the fight he appears to have made use of the rather singular expression, that he would get a new top-coat for himself out of it or he would die in the attempt. It is said that Horne had not been engaged in prize-fighting before last Sunday.

On Sunday night, detective officer Brayshaw took William Horne into custody. On Monday, he was brought up at the Town Hall, charged with the manslaughter of John Dawes. When placed in the dock, Horne presented an appearance of having received some hard blows, his eyes being discoloured, but the injuries were not of a serious character. Mr. Broadbent appeared to defend him, and Mr. Jackson (the Chief Constable) stated that as an inquest was about to be held he had to ask for a remand, and the prisoner could attend before the Coroner or not as he pleased. Mr. Broadbent said he did not oppose the application, and at the proper time would attend before the Coroner with his client. The prisoner was thereupon remanded. In the afternoon an inquest on the body of Dawes was opened at the Bay Horse Inn, Pitsmoor, before Mr. Webster, Coroner. The body of the deceased lay in an upper room in the condition in which it was carried from the ring, without shirt, and the trousers being supported by a bolt round the waist. There were no particular marks of violence on the body, though there was a discoloration under the right ear. The only evidence taken was that of the deceased's father, who identified the body. He also stated that the deceased was "as good a lad as ever stepped in shoe leather," and that though he had been engaged in fights before, he had recently promised not to fight again. The inquest was adjourned till Wednesday next, and the jury expressed a hope that before the adjourned hearing the police would succeed in apprehending the seconds and others engaged in the proceedings. Since then the body has been removed home for interment.

BIRMINGHAM.

JACK PARKINSON AND EDWARD (POSH) PRICE.—For this interesting match at catch weight for £30 (open for £50), £3 a side is now staked in the hands of Mr. Merry Evans, the appointed stakeholder at the Lamp Tavern, Cannon-street, Birmingham; and a similar amount must be repeated on Monday next.

BAGGOTT AND HUMPAGE.—It having been proved to the satisfaction of the stakeholder in this match that Humpage caused his own apprehension, the stakes have been awarded to Baggott, and thus has ended this unsatisfactory affair, from which so much had been anticipated.

YOUNG CHURCHLEY, of Birmingham, will fight Bob Brettle's man, Sam Haley, of Leeds, at 9st 4lb, for £25 a side, in the same ring as Rooke and Kelly; a deposit sent to our office, and articles to Mr. A. Crutchley, Spotted Dog, Warwick-street, will ensure business.

GEORGE HOLDEN, of Walsall, hearing that Jerry Hawkes, of London, is anxious to fight him, that worthy can be accommodated at 8st for £50 a side; or Peter Morris, of Birmingham, George's old opponent, can be on at the same terms. Money ready at Mr. J. Holden's, Malt Shovel Inn, Walsall.

JACK ROOKE took a grand sparring benefit at the Canterbury Hall Salford, last Tuesday evening. There was a crowded house, and some excellent sparring. The wind up was between Jack and Bob Brettle, and the latter exhibited his trophies. The duties of M.C., as usual, were efficiently discharged by Jack McGrath's Punch.

THOMAS SAWYER, of Norwood, will fight Thomas Derry, of Norwood for one, two, or five pounds a side. A match can be made any night at the White Lion, Upper Norwood.

TYLER AND CROCKETT.—These men meet next Tuesday at Tyler's, Founder's Arms, Osborne-street, Whitechapel, to make final arrangements for their tournament of the following week.

KELLEY AND ROOKE.—A further deposit has been made good in this match.

WILLIAMS AND LEWIS.—The fight, for £20 a side, between these Welshmen, came off on Monday, near the Nelson Inn, between Caerphilly and Merthyr. Williams was seconded by Bill Benjamin and Tom West, of Bristol; Lewis by Dick James and a countryman. After fighting rather more than an hour, the police interfered, which put an end to the battle.

NAT LANGHAM'S NOVICE AND DELANEY.—A small deposit is down for a match between these lads, at catch-weight.

MICKEY GANNON AND YOUNG DONELLY.—Donelly attended at the Spotted Dog, Strand, on Thursday last, to make a match, according to Gannon's challenge, at 9st 10lb, for £100 a side, attended by Nat Langham, and Donelly's principal backer, but Gannon did not turn up. There is little doubt but these men will get together.

YOUNG HABRINGTON.—This late respected member of the P.R. was conveyed to his last resting place on Sunday last, at the Victoria Park Cemetery, followed by a number of his brother pugs.

C. CALLAGHAN, of Colchester, takes a sparring benefit at Mr. Gallaghe's, Artillery Arms, Maidenburgh-street, Colchester, on Tuesday next, November 1st, when he will have the assistance of a host of the Ipswich and Colchester "Fancy." The wind-up between Callaghan and Bendoff.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

PRINCE OF WALES'S GROUNDS, BOW.

On Wednesday, these excellent grounds (which are admirably adapted for the purpose) were devoted to a most varied display of gymnastics by the students of the above Institution—the programme being most comprehensive and interesting in character—the only drawback being the lengthened time it took to go through the whole with scarcely any breathing time between "the sets." At eleven o'clock, punctual to appointment, the sports of the day, for which there were cups and money prizes given, were inaugurated by a Flat Race of 100 yards, run in two heats. Heat 1; A. Hallowes, 1; W. B. Bourne, 2; won by 2 yards. Heat 2; W. Heap, 1; H. Maturin, 2; won by 1½ yards. In the final, as there were two prizes awarded, the first and second in each heat ran, and this course was followed throughout. Heap and Maturin making a dead-heat, divided; 1st prize, £2; 2nd, £1.

Throwing the Hammer.—W. F. Knapp, 53 ft, 1st prize, £1 10s.; J. A. Bloxam, 45 ft, 2nd prize, 15s.

Flat Race—Half-a-mile—for a handsome cup, value £5, presented by G. Callender, Esq. W. F. Knapp, 1; J. A. Bloxam, 2; received £1. Time, 2 minutes 5 seconds.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—S. P. Budd, 93yds 2ft 8in, 1, £1 10s.; W. Heap, 85yds 1ft 8in, 2; J. Hallett, 82yds 2ft 3in, 3.

Hurdle Race, 120 yds, over 10 flights of Hurdles.—Heat 1; J. Horsefall, 1; J. Lock, 2. On account of a false start in this heat, F. J. Bostock, who did not leave the mark in consequence, was included in the following:—Heat 2; E. J. Bostock, 1; F. W. Longworthy, 2; well contested. Final: E. J. Bostock, 1, £2; J. Vernon 2; £1.

Long Jump.—E. C. Maxwell, 16ft 2½in, 1, £2; J. Vernon, and J. Horsfall, tied at 16ft, and divided 2nd prize, £1.

Flat Race 440 yds.—H. Maturin, 1, £2; W. Heap, 2, £2; won by 3yds.

High Jump.—J. Horsefall, 4ft 9in, 1, £2; E. C. Maxwell, 4ft 8in, 2, £1.

Flat Race, one mile, for the Treasurer's Cup, A very handsome trophy.—J. M. Finch, 1, received the cup; W. F. Knapp, 2, £1 10s.; J. A. Bloxam, 3, 15s. Time 5 min 20 sec.

Putting the Stone.—E. C. Maxwell, 1, £1 10s.; W. F. Knapp, 2, 15s.

Hurdle Race, 300 yds over 12 flights of Hurdles.—J. Horsfall, 1, £2; E. Bostock, 2, £1; finely contested throughout.

Trowser Race, 100 yds.—W. Heap, and E. Bourn, 1, £2; H. Maturin, and E. C. Maxwell, 2, £1.

Consolation Stakes.—Flat Race, 200 yds.—Heat 1: A. Hallowes, 1; R. H. Kinsey, 2. Heat 2: W. Square, 1; F. A. Watson, 2. Final: Square and Hallowes ran a dead heat, after a fine race, and agreed to divide £1. This concluded a very full day's sport. George Callender Esq. (to whom we are much indebted for the courtesy shown, as also to Messrs. Bloxam and Horsfall, not forgetting the proprietor of the grounds), officiated as judge, and Mr. Francis Lloyd, as starter.

THE LATE GREAT HAMMER THROWING AT GLASGOW.

(To the Editor of the "Illustrated Sporting News.")

Sir,—Having witnessed the above interesting match, in which Mr. J. Tait, of Douglas, defeated Mr. Rice, the Canadian, I was pleased to hear that the latter's friends had staked £10 against £10 of Tait's, to throw two matches, one on the same terms as the last, and one to throw with any kind of handles as in their first match, in which Mr. Rice came off the victor. Judge my surprise to hear, that on Tait and his party meeting to draw up the articles, they shirked out of both matches ignominiously, and would have nothing more to do with the bold Canadian after he had pluckily given them their revenge, and on their own terms. I am no particular backer of the latter, but myself and the sporting public here being more than surprised at Tait's conduct, cannot attribute it to anything but a fluke, and think he would as soon meet his Satanic Majesty as face the Canadian again, and so little do I think that either man can throw the same distance again with same hammer, handles, turns, and number of throws as in last match, that I will bet £50 or £100 against it being done at same ground once within a month. A deposit sent to you, stating amount of stake and date for the match, will meet with every attention.

From yours, &c.,

Glasgow, Oct. 26th, 1864. SCEPTIC.

Chamber's Testimonial.—A meeting of the Chambers' Testimonial Committee was held yesterday evening, at the house of Mr. James Anderson, Mosler-street. Mr. Ralph Grey presided. The secretary (Mr. T. Boyd) reported that the business in connection with the proposed testimonial was going on in a satisfactory manner. Meetings had been held and local committees formed in various places in the districts. A letter had been received from Hugh Taylor, Esq., of Chipchase Castle, enclosing a cheque for £5, and expressing his willingness to serve on the committee. "Chambers," he said, "is a fine fellow, and fully deserving of public sympathy and confidence." In a more recent communication Mr. Taylor stated that he had collected the sum of £12 15s. amongst his private friends, and was sanguine of raising even more. Having still further approved of soliciting the co-operation of the Coal Exchange in the movement, it was decided that a properly headed subscription list on vellum be at once prepared, and forwarded to Mr. Taylor, to place in a conspicuous part of the Coal Exchange, in order to receive the signatures of the merchants and others visiting the place. The treasurer (Mr. John Dobson) reported that he had already received £36 15s in cash, which he had placed in Lambton's Bank, to the credit of the fund. In accordance with an invitation from Stockton, it was arranged to hold a meeting there on Friday night, and in Middlesbro' on the following night, Mr. Boyd to attend each meeting with Chambers, as a deputation, in furtherance of the object. Other business was then disposed of, and with a vote of thanks to the chairman the meeting separated.

Testimonial to Percy.—It will be remembered that on the occasion of the race between Chambers and Cooper, on the 5th ult., when the boat of the former was holed, and the champion's life placed in jeopardy, Percy, the trainer of Cooper, being on board the referee's boat when Chambers came alongside, at great personal risk to himself, succeeded in getting both Chambers and his boat on board. This kind and generous action, small and trivial as it appeared to many at the time, was not forgotten by the friends of Chambers, who forthwith entered into a subscription amongst themselves, and with the amount raised they purchased a handsome gold ring at Messrs. Lister's, and presented it, sans ceremonie, to him yesterday after his race with Clasper. The donors further expressed their appreciation of his manly and straightforward conduct, not only in connection with the champion race, but also throughout the whole proceedings of the one of yesterday in which he was the victor.

The Thames.—The reports of the assistant river-keepers of the Thames Angling Preservation Society for the week ending Oct. 26th are of a more favourable character as regards sport; and there can be no doubt, after the first flood, there will be some excellent angling as the river abounds with fish, but the long drought has made the water so low and bright as to render fishing with success next to impossible. From Staines Fletcher writes:—"The water is improving, owing to the late rain, and Perch and Jack are biting better; a party took 13 dozen of gudgeon in three hours." Harris, from Sale ham, say:—"I have done very little this week—only a few perch, one Jack of 7lbs, another of 4lb, and a few small ones, but the water is better than last week." Rosswall reports:—"There has been a few jack and perch taken at Shepperton and Halliford, but the water is still very low and clear." Cowding says:—"The fishing at Hampton is still bad." From Moulsey, Smith remarks:—"There has been some very good jack fishing during the last week—one gentleman caught three in Ditton Deep weighing altogether 14lbs, another caught one 9lbs. I have heard of some very good takes of jack and perch between Hampton and Sunbury. On Saturday last one party got five Jack at Moulsey Weir." Johnson writes from Kingston:—"There was some good roach taken at the sewers here—Messenger got, after last Saturday's rain, some 1½lb each; a few jack, and some gudgeon have been caught. I heard of a very large eel being taken whilst jack fishing with paternoster tackle, but I did not see it." At Teddington, Erricker says:—"The fishing has been very good this week, all the boats doing well; there has been four more jack and a carp taken under the weir; plenty of the roach that have been taken have weighed from 1½lb to 2½lbs each." Howard simply observes from Richmond that "Fishing is improving and the water also since last report."

FOOTBALL.

Richmond v. Wimbledon School.—This match took place on Richmond Green, on Saturday, October 22. Wimbledon having won the toss, had the choice of goals, which was a great advantage, on account of a strong wind blowing at the time. Richmond, however, very soon won two goals, which were both kicked by Mr. Sewell. A third was afterwards kicked by Mr. N. T. H. M'Allum, and a fourth by Mr. A. Lee. Thus Richmond proved victorious, winning four goals, their opponents not obtaining one.

The annual football match between the old and present Marlburians will be played at Marlborough, on Tuesday, November 1. It is to be hoped that there will be a large gathering of old Marlburians.

The Barnes Club commenced play three weeks ago. Last Saturday, a match was played between the officers of the club and four others, making up an eleven, against nineteen of the club. It was a capital game, and the officers' eleven were defeated, having lost two goals. Saturday, the captain's eleven will play all comers, members of the club, at Barnes.

CANINE.

Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.—A moderate number of persons attended here on Saturday afternoon, the attraction being a race between James Grimes's Daft, of Barnes Green, and James Parkington's Spring, of Chadderton, distance 200 yds, for £10 a side. Speculation was brisk, at 2 to 1 on Spring, but Daft won by one foot. Referee, Mr. James Taylor.

Nettle and Queen.—Ivil's Nettle, of Clifton, and Atherton's Queen, of Bolton, are matched to run 200 yds for £10 a side on October 31st, at 3 o'clock. Mr. Adam Platt, of Bolton, holds £5 each, and the remainder must be made good on October 29th. To be on the mark at 3 o'clock.

Newcastle.—On Saturday afternoon a dog race of comparative importance was decided at Hill Top, near Ravensworth, Gateshead, between Mr. Atty's Tartan, and Mr. Scott's Gilt, 200 yds, for £10 a side, the latter having 10 yds start, according to the rules of stature. Tartan was the favourite; however, after a first-class run, Gilt managed to pass the mark not less than 4 ft in advance. The betting at the outset was spirited.

Royal Oak Park, Manchester.—J. Buckley's Spring, of Chadderton, and R. Grimes's Daft, of Barnes Green, are matched to run 200 yds., for £25 a side, on Nov. 28. Mr. George Martin has received ten shillings each.

St. Thomas's Ground, Stanningley (near Leeds).—S. Hargreaves's Lucy of Bradford, and Z. Hall's Venus of Binstal, are engaged to run 200 yds., for £20 a side, on Nov 5. Mr. J. Holden has £10 each, and the remainder is to be made good by 3 o'clock on the day, and run at half-past three.

Leeds.—Rose and Spark.—Mr. J. Dawson, of the Granby Hotel, Bradford, has received articles and £5 a-side for a match between J. Pearson's bitch Rose and R. Tordoff's dog Spark, to run the best of twenty-one courses at rabbits, for £20 a-side, at the Cardigan Arms, Leeds, on Saturday, November 12.

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